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14 Municipal Orchestra Concert, Lyc., 5.15
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15 For. Y. Lecture, "Elementary Photography" by Mr. R. V. Dent, F.R.P.S., F.R.M.S.
16 A.W.C.: Miss Peterson on 'India,' 4.45
16 Shanghai Reel Club, Practice
16 Tuesday Evening Club, 7.30
17 B.U.S.C. Lecture: 'Air-Conditioning and Comfort,' Dr. W. Y. Lee, 114 Peking Road, 5.30
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Metropolitan Killed:

Whites' Sympathy for Finns

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Our old friend UKRAINIAN is at it again. His tactics have changed little, his temper much, for the worse. One can almost see him sputtering in rage as he hammers at the keys (pity the typewriter). Why, his tones show his feelings to be so high—he would pull his tongue at his enemies for lack of a strong enough expression. Luckily for them this can't be done in a letter to the Editor.

But who are these opponents? The Russians or the Reds? UKRAINIAN is using an old and dirty trick—now mentioning the first, now the second, so as to make the unsophisticated reader believe that they are one. This is a dishonest act on the part of the UKRAINIAN because he well knows that nobody rates the Reds more than the Russians, that Communism did not originate in Russia and spread there mostly due to the activities of certain non-Russian minorities and, that "Stalin" himself is not a Russian.

To crown all the absurdity that he piled up in his rage, UKRAINIAN calls Stalin the "Red Tsar." Well now I am sure that UKRAINIAN is seeing red—what else could make a man put these two words together?

Wrath is bad not only for the brain but also for the liver, so I first thought of recommending UKRAINIAN some pills, but oh! he won't listen!

To close this long epistle I would like to assure the supporters of the Finns that I think I won't be wrong to state that the Russian nationalists (Whites) sympathize with the Finns:

1. Because we know what Bolshevism is.
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SNOW WHITE.

Shanghai, Jan. 10.

In Nazi Germany :

Kissing Goes By Favour

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I think it might interest your readers to learn some of the contents of a letter just received from Germany by a German resident of Shanghai. After a few non-interesting items the letter reads as following (translated from German):

....."It will certainly be a great pleasure for you to hear that your friend Legationsrat Dr. Br. (during Herr v. Ribbentrop's ambassadorship in London member of the German Embassy) is still in great favour with his boss (Herr v. Ribbentrop), who has just presented him with a lovely country-estate in the Salzkammergut. The fate of the former owner of the estate is unknown.—But there was, maybe, even a more pleasant surprise in store for Dr. Br., when he first visited his new ancestral home: all the wardrobes were filled to capacity with suits, laundry etc. belonging to the former owner and little tailor work was needed to make them fit." Thus the problem of textile-rationing does not exist for Dr. Br. for the time being."

I think these lines speak for themselves. Men like Dr. Br. will get their rewards in Free Germany.

SCHWARZE FRONT.

Sun Spots :

Visible to Naked Eye

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I wonder whether you could give me some information in the following matters:

On January 8 I noticed in the sun two large black spots. The observation was made in the morning between 7.15 and 7.25 a.m. Approximate position of the spots: "1 o'clock." These spots were only visible as long as the sun was covered with a light fog. The moment the fog disappeared the rather marked spots could not be seen any more. As I never observed such distinct spots, appearing almost black in colour, I would appreciate it very much if you could enlighten me on this subject and as to whether such observations were made by others too.

G. E.

Shanghai, Jan. 10.

•••Osaka, Jan. 10. Two sun spots about five times as large as the earth today were reported seen by members of the Electric Science Institute of the Osaka Municipality.

The spots are visible to the naked eye just before sunset, it was claimed. They are on the right side of the lower portion of the sun and are moving downward. It was likely, officials of the Institute stated, that the spots would not be visible in two or three days because by that time they will have moved to the other side of the sun.

Photographs of the sun spots were taken yesterday afternoon by members of the East Asia Meteorological Society.—(Domei).—ED.

Sea Food :

A Reader Disbelieves

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Oh! I say MR. LEBED how cru-el. I'm sure a large proportion of those poor innocent bivalvular molluscs must have been mothers. Are you by any chance a member of the S.S.P.C.A.?

But seriously, were the oysters shelled or unshelled, and if so what's the difference? Also, do tell us how many bottles of Tomato and/or Worcestershire sauce it took to season your little snack. Or was it washed down with a keg of vinegar?

As a matter of fact I have had a somewhat similar experience. Some years ago, when I was really tough, I had been trekking across the frozen veldt for three or four weeks without anything to eat—I think I was trailing a herd of rattlesnakes—when my sampan ran gently up on to a beautiful sandy beach. There to my indescribable joy I saw four, or was it five, I forget, suckling pigs in a bush caught by their horns. And boy! oh boy!, did I eat them? I certainly did, without even taking off the skins or spitting out the pips.

MUNCHAUSEN.

Shanghai, Jan. 11.

Phoenix Park Raiders Before Court

Men Tell How They Gained Entry into Magazine

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Dublin, Jan. 9.

Seven men were accused today concerning the raid on the magazine fort in Phoenix Park. They were remanded until next week.

A sentry who was on duty when the raid was carried out described how a man put a revolver at his throat, demanding that he hand over his rifle. Two other civilians held up a military policeman, while four others with revolvers rushed in, ordering the commander and four soldiers to put up their hands. The six men pointed their revolvers at them, kept the guard for half an hour, and then locked them up in the magazine.

The captain, however, secured a ladder, got out of the window and released them. At the subsequent identity parade, he recognized three of the accused.—Reuter.

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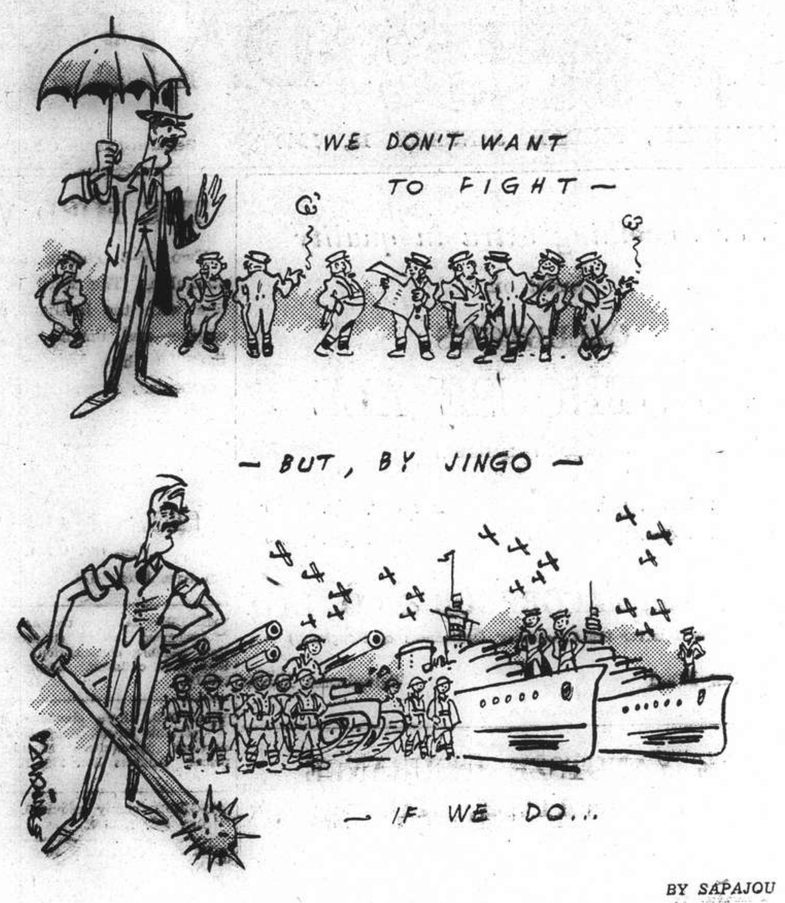

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Blackmail Attempt On Clergyman

Seaman Sent to Prison, Son of Victim, Former China Missionary

For the second time in eight years a man described as "an unscrupulous and oft-convicted criminal" has been sentenced to seven years' penal servitude for the attempted blackmail of a clergyman, states the "News of the World." For the second time also, before he went from the dock to the cells, he turned to the judge with a dramatic threat. "I will settle my account with him (meaning the prosecutor) once and for all when I am finished," he shouted.

No fewer than 23 convictions, chiefly for housebreaking and larceny, had already been recorded against the prisoner who uttered this threat, James Fearn, 43, said to be a seaman.

At the Old Bailey, in 1931, Fearn was sentenced to seven years' penal servitude for demanding £50 with menaces from the Rev. John Carpenter, of Christchurch Vicarage, Chislehurst. Now at Maidstone Assizes he received identical punishment for demanding £50 by menaces from the same gentleman, who has a clergyman son bearing a similar name.

Son Paid No Attention

After Fern had been taken to the cells, the Rev. John Carpenter, senior, told a "News of the World" reporter that he attached no importance to the threat. "He said exactly the same thing last time," Mr. Carpenter explained, "and I don't think my son will pay any attention to it, either."

Mr. Carpenter added that his son first met Fearn when he was working as a curate in Deptford. "Fearn came begging at his door, and my son befriended him. He gave him food, and tried to help him spiritually, but refused to assist him financially. "Later Fearn wrote to me demanding £50 for keeping silent about my son.

"After the Old Bailey case my son went out to China as a missionary. He has just returned for 12 months, but intends to go abroad again."

Mr. J. Burge, who prosecuted at Maidstone, explained that Fearn wrote to the Rev. John Carpenter, senior, a letter in which he said: "You will, of course, remember the very regrettable incident of seven years ago, as a result of which the Recorder (the late Sir Ernest Wild, K.C.) sentenced me to seven years' penal servitude.

"I have the satisfaction of knowing that that gentleman is now dead, but I am going to make you pay in some measure for making the sentence possible."

Later Fearn called at the vicarage, and when arrested a second letter in similar terms was found in his possession.

"It was obvious," suggested Mr. Burge, "that he intended to send that letter if the first one were unsuccessful." When charged Fearn replied: "I was desperate. This is what comes of being down and out." He was completely without money.

Det.-Insp. V. Green proved 23 convictions. Between 1920 and 1931 Fearn was repeatedly sentenced for housebreaking and larceny. The officer added that Fearn was allowed out on licence in 1937, after serving part of his seven years' sentence for the previous blackmail, but in the same year he was ordered nine months' imprisonment for being found in a dwelling-house by night.

"Guilty Shielded"

At the time of the present offence Fearn was again on licence, and had 157 days still to serve. When asked if he wished to say anything Fearn declared that the judge knew perfectly well it was no use. "In cases of this kind," he stated, "you throw a cloak over the guilty. I should have taken the law into my own hands.

Seventy Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS," OF JANUARY 12, 1870

The M. I. SS. Phase arrived yesterday with mail papers to November 25. These contain interesting information regarding the Suez Canal, which the "L. & C. Express" says "is proved to be only navigable for vessels of light draught, steamers drawing only fifteen feet having grounded repeatedly. The banks were much injured by the passage of the inaugural flotilla. It is stated that 150,000,000 francs are still required to complete the canal, and it is certain that it will not be available for large ships for many months. At Liverpool some steamers of light draught, but large capacity, are being built specially for this route." The "Economist," on the other hand, says that a Russian steamer, drawing 17½ feet, has passed through.

"Whatever sentence you pass, when it is ended, his punishment will start. I will settle my account with him once and for all." Mr. Justice Humphreys, in passing sentence, said he completely failed to understand how Fearn could have thought that such a letter to the same person would have brought him any money.

Fearn had tried it before and got seven years' penal servitude. Yet he did the same thing again and in exactly the same way. "It looks as if you wanted to go back to prison," concluded the judge.

When Fearn was first charged with blackmail in 1931 it was stated that the Rev. John Carpenter, junior, unlike the majority of victims of contemptible blackmail, desired the fullest publicity and disclosure of his identity.

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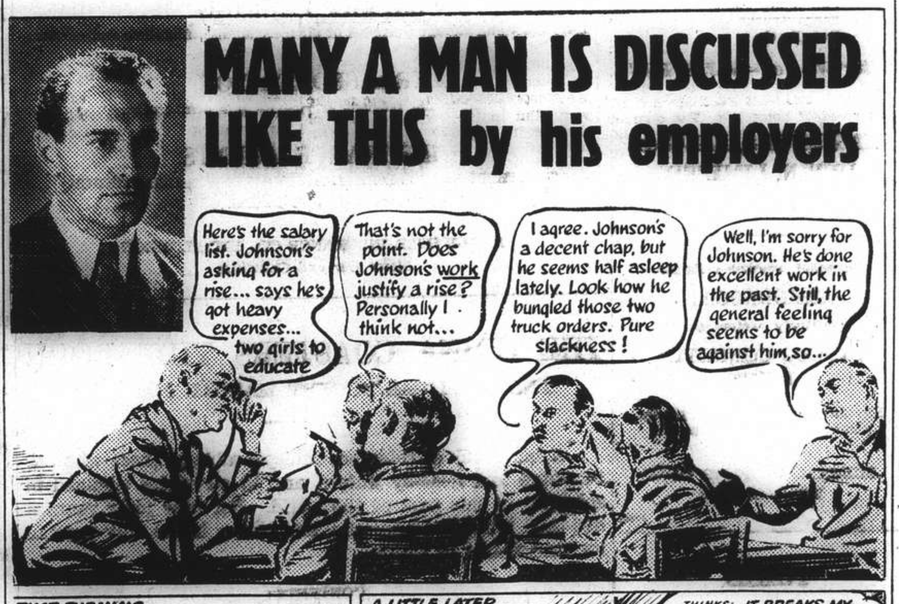
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That's not the point. Does Johnson's work justify a rise? Personally I think not...
I agree. Johnson's a decent chap, but he seems half asleep lately. Look how he bungled those two truck orders. Pure slackness!
Well, I'm sorry for Johnson. He's done excellent work in the past. Still, the general feeling seems to be against him, so...
THAT EVENING
But all the girls are going to camp, Daddy! Why can't we go? It won't cost much...
Can't promise now, children. We'll see about it later— I'm tired now
A LITTLE LATER
THINKS: POOR KIDS— I HATE TO DISAPPOINT THEM, BUT WHAT CAN I DO? NO RISE THIS YEAR... ANYTHING MAY HAPPEN IF I DON'T PULL MYSELF TOGETHER... SHAKE OFF THIS EVERLASTING TIREDNESS
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It's like a dead weight pulling on me all the time doctor. I even wake tired—
Well naturally, Mr. Johnson— that always happens with Night Starvation. You see, even at night you go on using up energy in breathing, heartbeats and other automatic actions. Unless energy is replaced during sleep you're bound to wake tired, feel unequal to your work. I advise Horlicks
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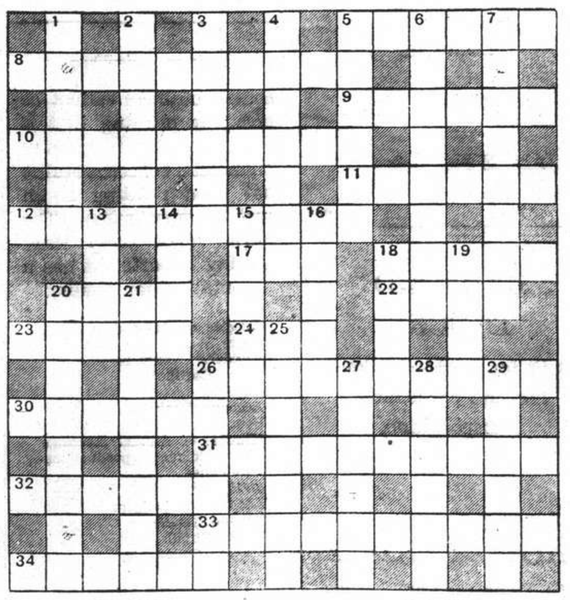

ACROSS

5 Nearly most of it is final
8 The summons of war (three words)
9 Fat overlapping of adjectives of altitude
10 As sheltered as the contents of a book (two words)
11 This kingdom contains no trees
12 This action would set the village on fire
17 This ends curiously
18 A captain may leave it with his mate
20 Episode in the story of a sweep
22 To a high degree
23 River mostly torn
24 Time for a gunner
26 There is this in 23 across and yet there probably is not! (two words)
30 One finds these low in the country
31 Quite allowable, but the second I can go and leave a friendly warning to retreat
32 Unhappy husbands are often kept at it, they say
33 Harmonious
34 Mostly, and altogether, not heavy

DOWN

1 A loud-mouthed upholder of the doctrine of force
2 One of the things that comes straight from the shoulder
3 Obliged, and given food when the sea creature has gone
4 Much the same as 34 across
5 Off the route
6 Commonly known to figure at school when least common
7 How will he fare for fare without fare?
13 Hearty alternative choice of letters
14 Mostly a fresh little creature
15 Translate the last two letters into English and more people could live on it
16 This water is in the North of England
18 Swear
19 Gait
20 Read part of it certainly but you will find it shocking
21 Put whatever you wish here
25 Kind of voice in which the bridegroom should say "I will"
26 Take your pick
27 The doctor may advise it, but no toil can produce it
28 Britain didn't have to give a girl a weapon to defeat it
29 Range

Y'DAY'S SOLUTION.—**ACROSS**: 8, Hunting box; 9, Fair; 10, Fixed price; 11, Fret; 12, Right of way; 17, Broth; 20, Hold; 21, Vast; 23, Three; 24, Depressing; 30, Gone; 31, Fallow land; 32, Uist; 33, Swine fever. **DOWN**: 1, Cupid; 2, Strength; 3, Sniper; 4, Ebbing; 5, Expert; 6, Barrow; 7, Pretty; 13, Indus; 14, Haven; 15, Oust; 16, Adze; 18, Rose; 19, Hoes; 22, Thrilled; 24, Dug-out; 25, Punish; 26, Safest; 27, Inlaid; 28, Gaoler; 29, Sneer.

WOMAN'S PAGE

A Mayfair Notebook

By Philine

"Frodsham of Frodshams'," as he is known to the Royal family and members of the Palace staff, has been a regular visitor to Buckingham Palace during three reigns. He is so well known that he can move quite freely about the King's home and pass almost unnoticed by the officials. As he enters an occupied room, it will probably be in the private apartments of the King and the Queen for he spends much time here, all he need say is "Frodshams'" Having spoken the magic word he can set about his work.

This work is to take care of the 200 clocks in the King's residence. "Frodsham" has been a valued member of a firm of clock-makers who has been in the service of British monarchs for more than one hundred years. Recently he finished a three-days engagement in the Palace, altering all the clocks from summer to winter time.

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The King's Simple Tastes

A number of valuable clocks have been removed from Buckingham Palace for the duration of the war, among them the famous Negress clock which normally stands in the Great Dining Room. The twinkling eyes of the Negress show the time. In one eye can be seen the hour, in the other the minutes. But the King's favourite clock is still in its old place, on the flat-topped desk in his workroom.

It is typical of the King's taste that of all the famous timepieces in the Palace he should prefer one of the simplest of them all, a small clock of plain mahogany, with a plain dial. He always likes plain, simple things. His tastes are the same in food. When he was inspecting some troops a little while ago and was shown the cooking arrangements, he confided to the adjutant accompanying him that he had a great weakness for "spotted dog" pudding. As some of the pudding was being prepared at the time, the King, of course, got a generous helping.

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A Life of Queen Mary

Queen Mary is such a popular figure among us that there will be few who do not want to know more about this gracious lady that Kathleen Woodward has written about in "The Lady of Marlborough House, a Life of Queen Mary." The firm of Cape has published the Life and it is selling at 6s. a copy.

Not long ago, a Frenchman who saw her passing in a car, wrote of Queen Mary: "This is the true image that should be offered to those who set eyes on a Royal person. She is clothed like a Queen, aloof from any fashion, any care for time or place... This is the Queen of England."

Yet one of the keynotes of Queen Mary's character has always been a natural diffidence. As a child, Kathleen Woodward describes her subject as "sweet and engaging....full of life and fun, playful as a kitten: with the deepest blue eyes imaginable, and quantities of fair hair, a lovely complexion, and a most perfect figure." But the Queen Mother describes herself as a child in a very different way. She was, she says, "very naughty, very happy, very uninteresting."

Once, as a girl, when she was asked to sign a fan at a charity bazzaar, she blushed and said: "Are you not mistaking me for one of my cousins of Wales? I am only May Teck."

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A Maker of Carpets

Those who own hand-made carpets, rugs and chair-cover sets woven under the guidance of Mr. Pontremoli will in future treasure them more carefully than they have ever done. For Mr. Pontremoli, who has spent many years helping to develop the craft of carpet-making in England, has had to shut his workshop close to Paddington Station, London. Here, twenty girls, highly trained in the craft, would daily sit at work. They would take from three to twelve months to make a carpet.

Very often these beautiful floor-coverings were worked to a customer's own design. The Duchess of Kent chose a pattern of flowers and arrows, with the G. and the M. worked in; Lady Honor Channon ordered pictures of her town and her country houses to be woven into her carpet. In addition she asked that all her hobbies, such as music, flying, yachting, and skating, should be introduced into the carpet's pattern.

The Queen used to have chair covers designed here, one with Windsor Castle worked into its pattern. But the Queen is only one of many owners of fine English homes who regrets the closing of Mr. Pontremoli's workshop. His carpets represented this country at many international exhibitions and they were particularly prized by Americans.

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What We Wear . . . What They Wear

Women in the United States, as in France, have introduced the military touch more definitely into their wartime fashions than have Englishwomen. Perhaps this is because the Englishwoman connects the so-called "military touch" in clothes with her uniform which duty bids her wear. When her thoughts turn to the fashions, she wants to get away from military-looking caps and jackets. When off duty, she becomes very feminine again in short, full skirts, turban hats, or, in the evening, she likes to wear dead black crêpe with startlingly bright bead trimings.

Evening frocks of slightly stiffened lace are equally popular just now. Some are made with the ever-fashionable bodice-line fullness let into the top of a corslet skirt. Here are the puffed sleeves, the front folds, and back movement which show off the lace to advantage.

In the U.S.A., frills and fripperies have been put aside. Women want to look businesslike whether they have official duties or not. An ultra-smart outfit to be seen on Fifth Avenue, New York, consists of a hat which looks like the fez worn by the French Moroccan soldier. It has a stiff peak, with high crown and a dashing feather waving gaily over the crown. The double-breasted coat is of military cut with a gold braid trimming and tassels swung right across the front. These are fastened by detachable slips.

A Red Ladybird

A woman member of the Soviet Red Army Air Corps is shown here in the gunpit of a bombing plane while she beams at the camera. A report from Helsinki said that a woman was among the crew of a Soviet bomber shot down during a raid on the Finnish capital. She was believed to have been at the controls of the raider when it was brought down.

To Help St. Tichon's

In aid of St. Tichon's Orphanage a grand soiree will be held at the Arcadia on February 2 at 9.30 p.m. Among those who have kindly consented to act as patrons are Lady Maze, M. M. Baudez, Sir Victor Sassoon, Mr. A. S. Henchman. Old Bond Street has most generously donated a frock, specially designed and created for the occasion, for which raffle tickets will be sold. The Orphanage, which cares for about 100 European children, is badly in need of funds.

Companions in Distress

Reactions to War

It is strange how adversity draws people together says K. T. in the "Manchester Guardian." Two weeks ago, as new-comers to the district, we were on nodding terms with our neighbours, but our acquaintance with them had not penetrated beyond their doorsteps. Then in quick succession came the crisis, the evacuated children, and the war. Perhaps it was the children who broke the ice for us. Our own little refugee from Newcastle brought in his Tyneside friends and his new Westmorland friends, and soon we found that we were entertaining all the neighbouring children.

Visits of parents in search of children led to return visits to borrow drawing pins and discussion on the difficulty of obscuring lights. Mr. B. was found to work for a firm who supplied blue paper of a quality excellent for darkening windows; Mr. T. had a roll of gummed paper; our own contribution to this system of co-operation was a knowledge of painting electric-light bulbs blue and red. Everybody suddenly found that they were coming and going in each other's houses, lending and borrowing, commenting and chattering. From being semi-strangers we burst forth into bloom as members of a happy community.

Despite the catastrophe causing it, we can truly say that the social life of the community has improved noticeably since the crisis began and life is fuller and more pleasant and friendly than it was before. It is a pity that it should take something as terrible as war to break down the reserve of people, but at least we are assured that already one good thing has come out of the war.

Evacuation of Children

By Francesca M. Wilson

"How many children have you?" I asked the little woman sitting opposite me in the train. She had been describing how she had had leave to take this journey so that she could say good-bye to her husband and her father ("It was so difficult to recognize him in his uniform—we had never seen him like that"), and that now she was going back to her children. She had begun to cry a little and I wanted to divert her attention. "A hundred and twenty, madame," she answered politely.

It was a nursery school belonging to her district in Paris. They had been evacuated a week before the declaration of war to a remote village in the Vendôme, and she and five other trained women had gone with them. They were all housed in the elementary school. They had beds and blankets and sheets and their own kitchen. It was a lot of work, but not too bad. And was none of the evacuated children living with the villagers? I asked. "Ah, mais non—ça par exemple." That would never do. There were people who had offered to take them, who wanted them very much, but they were responsible to the parents and they could not let them go: it would be a betrayal of trust. Children needed expert handling. Lots of them had been verminous, but they had been cleaned up now. The villagers helped by giving them clothes and blankets and kitchen equipment, but the children themselves must be properly looked after. And what would happen when the class opening came? The Government would build barracks for schools. With all France mobilized that could be done quickly, and the evacuated children would remain in the more substantial buildings.

Difference in Method

The contrast between the French method of evacuation and our own is startling. Which is the better? That the French method works with less friction is certain. Families are kept together in deserted factories or empty buildings; children arrive with their teachers, and are housed together in schools, youth hostels, or hotels, and the general public knows little of them. In fact, the silence that reigns over the whole process is a little uncanny. It is the same with A.R.P., or Défense Passive, as the French call it. All the months before the war while the English press was ringing with plans for air raids and evacuation one searched through French newspapers in vain for a hint on the subject, yet when the time came things were ready and appeared to work with only a little less precision than the mobilization.

No doubt there will be defenders of the English method who will say that it is more human and less mechanical, and that evacuees are not deprived of home life. The quarrels of which much of this home life consists, the contests of hostess and guest over saucepans and kettles in the tiny kitchens, the anguish of maiden ladies watching the devastation of their houses by toughs from the slums of Birmingham or Glasgow, the worry of careful mothers over the language—and other things—their own children pick up from the importees—all these things one might perhaps dismiss as "a budget of funny stories" if one were sure that the method was the best one for the children.

"Children, madame, need expert handling"—the French woman was right. Their system attempts to get this, ours ignores it. Are we not missing a tremendous opportunity? Are we fulfilling our trust to the parents and to the country? The very fact that we evacuate the children shows that we know that they are the nation's treasure and its future.

Republican Spain

We can learn much from the example of a country that is much forgotten nowadays—from Republican Spain. Thousands of children were evacuated from Madrid during the war and hundreds of thousands fled from advancing armies. A large proportion of these were gathered together in colonies, in the charge of teachers and matrons. I visited a great number of these children's settlements. The best of them were like first-class boarding-schools. Now, one may doubt the benefit of boarding-school life, for middle-class children, see with sorrow boys and girls taken from their natural surroundings into an artificial, regimented existence remote from the problems and stimulus of day-to-day life, but who can doubt that these problems are too great, the stimulus too harsh for children in the slums, and that escape for them is beneficial?

Nothing that I have experienced in my life was so encouraging as the rapid transformation of street-arabs from Madrid or Malaga into healthy, clean, agreeable children in the two colonies I started in Spain on the model set by the Government. The first fortnight saw a great change. Children do not like to be filthy and verminous. They became quickly proud of their improved personal appearance and newly learned manners. A certain discipline, an imposed rhythm of life, especially if it is kindly and quietly imposed, is a great rest after the alternations of badgering and neglect that in overcrowded dwellings is their usual lot. For most of them, more important than school was the chance to learn how to employ leisure: to read, to play, to make things, to be useful. Surely the Spanish children, with their passionate temperaments and half-savage lives, were not better material than our own!

It is true that in Spain there was a great advantage. The rich had left their villas, their hotels, and their castles, and as the Republic thought that nothing was too good for its children it was these that were turned into colonies. It is infamous to put our children into depressing surroundings. They must have pretty places to live in, clean and light and brightly painted, surrounded with gardens and fields, but if we have no castles to give them in poor England, it is possible to make huts and holiday camps gay and attractive with a little imagination in the planning. Could not we start this war with something on the credit side? Could not it be as it was in Spain, however awful, a grand time for the slum children?

Film Actress As Ambulance Driver

Miss Glen Alyn, British film actress and sister of Lady Doverdale, is now helping the British Red Cross as an ambulance driver.

Britain's Women At War:

No. 4: Ambulance Drivers

By Daphne Clare

In the great network of Home Defence spread throughout Great Britain, ambulance driving is more exclusively a woman's job than any other national service, except nursing.

Originally the emergency ambulance stations set up to deal with casualties caused by air raids were intended to be manned exclusively by women. But though there seemed enough women with driving licences to draw upon, when it came to the point many of them were not available. Some had enlisted in the other services. Others had left the cities with their families.

Even now, with an enrolment of over 40,000 throughout the country, it is more difficult to get volunteers to drive ambulances than for any other form of national service. Handling the ambulances is a heavy job needing tough muscles. It is a very different proposition from driving a light car.

The women enrolled for this work need good nerves. They will be the first out in the streets after a raid. They will often be the first on the spot to deal with casualties. They have got to have the kind of temperament which could stand any strain.

If gas were used they would have to go out in it to pick up casualties, and for this purpose they are issued with complete decontamination outfits. Driving a heavy ambulance in a gas mask, heavy oilskins and high rubber boots is exhausting and, for all except the sturdiest women, cannot be done for long stretches at a time.

Because of the shortage of women volunteers, the service had to be augmented to some extent by men. The women do not, however, always welcome them. Some stations have complained when men have been drafted to serve there. Resentment has been so strong that to get over the difficulty, the experiment of staffing some stations exclusively with men has been tried.

Ambulance drivers have not, so far, been given a uniform, but there are rumours that there is one on the way. But in the very first days of the war the girls gave themselves an unofficial one. This was trousers, a sports shirt and a brightly coloured chiffon handkerchief swatched round the head and tied in front.

No Soft Job

More than any other service, it has attracted the women of wealthy families who have never worked before. Driving a car was the only thing they could do really well. But the majority of drivers are young married women with occasionally a teacher or an office worker. They are most of them young—the average age for the whole service is 27.

Everybody had, of course, to be a competent driver before she was accepted. But on top of that each one has been through a thorough and severe training. For months before the war these women were trained on all sorts of vehicles, under all sorts of conditions. Heavy lorries, not always of the latest model, were among the vehicles they had to drive. They were put into the toughest places and told to get out, given everything that was hard to do, until in the end they felt they could handle anyhing on wheels.

They were, besides, given special training in night driving without any lights, so that they, at least, were prepared for the blackout. They were trained in map reading, and taught their particular locality—the quickest route from one place to another and the best alternate route if one was blocked.

Ambulance stations were set up in any place that was suitable. Underground garages were often chosen, and the "ambulances" were in the first weeks often just lorries roughly converted.

Girls had, in some cases, to overhaul and clean the engines, get batteries working, fix lights and scrub and clean the whole vehicle.

They worked like niggers getting blankets, fixing stretchers, getting themselves scratch meals while they were on duty. At some stations each one had to store enough canned food to last herself for two days in case of emergency.

Continual Stand By

At the beginning of September, many women who had volunteered were away on holiday. One girl hurried back from Norway a few days before the declaration of war to take up duty. The difficulty of contacting absent volunteers made the work harder for those on the spot.

Since then there has been time to organize things. Every station now has some kind of canteen arrangement. The hastily commandeered lorries are being rapidly replaced by ambulances. The stations themselves have settled down into a routine.

Girls work in eight-hour shifts and every station is fully manned for the whole 24 hours. The rule is six days on and one off. But so that everyone will get a fair share of Sundays they sometimes do seven days one week and five another. The drivers get £2 a week and there are no extra allowances.

The hardest part of the job is the waiting about. Every station must be kept at full strength *all the time*. There must be no weak link in this chain of Home Defence. So the girls have had to find ways of passing the time while they are standing by.

In this respect great help has been given by an American woman, Mrs. Thornton, who was over here when war broke out and offered to help. She is very good at giving lectures on first aid and has made herself so popular that ambulance stations all over the country are clamouring for her help.

She is bright, makes the lectures interesting and easy to understand, and is in such demand that a movement has been set on foot to keep her over here.

The B.B.C. has also approached her to broadcast on Britain's Women at War. She always turns up to the lectures wearing skiing trousers. She says she can't bear to be bandaged except in trousers.

Mrs. Chamberlain As "Godmother"

A Request by French Soldiers

Mrs. Chamberlain has received from a group of French non-commissioned officers serving at the front a request that she should become their *marraine de guerre*. Their letter recalls what a comfort this institution of "war-time Godmothers" was to the soldiers of 1914-18, and adds that the writers have conceived the idea of asking some person, whose faith and courage has aroused their admiration, to give them the help of her kind thoughts and personal interests, in addition to that which is afforded to them by the knowledge that the anxious hearts of their own families are with them.

"British and French," the letter continues, "have banded themselves together in support of the same ideals, and in this brotherhood which unites our institutions and our strength we consider you to be the collaborators of all those who lead us into a noble battle. Twelve French soldiers send you their confident and ardent hopes for the happy life which will follow present sacrifices."

Mrs. Chamberlain has replied, saying how deeply touched she has been by this letter, and how happy she is to be given the chance of showing her friendship and admiration towards the soldiers of France. Mrs. Chamberlain thanks them most cordially for having conceived a request so flattering to her and although, if it should be followed by others of a similar character, she is afraid she could not extend her new family indefinitely, she has told them that she is very happy indeed to respond to the invitation which they have been the first to send her. She hastens to wish them all good fortune and a speedy victory for the common cause, and assures them that she will continue her prayers for them all. "I am," she concludes, "your grateful and affectionate Anne Chamberlain."

Women In War-time

The New Training Centres; Students Are Scattered

London is losing its name, for the time being, as the great training centre for future careers. Girls who leave school in the coming months will go to provincial cities, such as Cambridge or Birmingham, north to Edinburgh, Glasgow or Aberdeen, or west to Cardiff or Bristol.

Parents and headmistresses find that the majority of training courses have been evacuated. "Otherwise, training prospects are more normal than we had expected," Mrs. D. L. Wise, chief officer of the Advisory Department of the Women's Employment Federation, stated.

London's women medical students have gone north to Edinburgh and Aberdeen. The London School of Medicine for Women has arranged for first-year students to go to Edinburgh and second-year to Aberdeen.

Domestic Science

Hospital almoner courses are being planned from Oxford, a decision will shortly be taken as to whether new students will be accepted.

Shrewsbury, Bournemouth and Torquary are among the town to which domestic science courses have been evacuated. Battersea Polytechnic's course for institutional management is continuing at Shrewsbury; Berridge House, the college in West Hampstead, has moved to Bournemouth, and the National Training College of Domestic Subjects, to Torquay. King's College of Household and Social Science is carrying on at Cardiff.

Cambridge has become a headquarters of social science training. The two London University courses held by Bedford College and the London School of Economics are both continuing there.

In Home Towns

Parents find that daughters can train for nursing either in their own home towns or a few miles distant. Training in a good provincial hospital in a reception area appeals nowadays as likely to provide the best experience.

Training as radiographers, gymnastic teachers and engineers is still available. Agricultural and horticultural colleges are continuing as usual. Occupational therapy is one of the newer careers in which courses are still being arranged.

A course in dispensing is available in London, at the Chelsea Polytechnic.

Careers in which girls are not being encouraged to train at the present time are political organizing and commerce.

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Race Club Upset Light Horse

Marathon Matches in Squash League; Rowing Club Show Improvement in Beating Y.M.C.A.

THE Race Club "B" team provided the Light Horse with a surprise last night when they defeated the cavalry unit by three matches to two in the junior division squash league match played at the Race Club courts. Some of the contests were particularly hardfought and two went to five games. The Rowing Club "B" after their somewhat indifferent showing earlier in the season have gone from strength to strength and last night defeated the Foreign Y.M.C.A. "B" by four matches to one thereby giving the indication that had they been able to show this form earlier in the season they would have been very close to the leading position now.

Probably the closest match of the day was that between A. V. Striker of the Race Club and A. A. White of the Light Horse which the former won in five games, the score in the last game being very close and Striker just bringing off his points to run to game in time. White won the first game fairly easily and Striker showed a similar superiority in the second. The third provided considerable surprise as Striker was leading by 8-1 and had the hand in on several occasions at game ball, but could not put the ball away with the result that White came up to 8-8 and after a severe struggle, Striker who had at this phase lost numerous points in succession, suddenly struck form again and ran on to take the game at 10-8. White was very convincing in the fourth game and it looked as if Striker was unable to maintain the pace, but the latter put up a fine recovery in the fifth game and went on to win at 9-6.

Five-Game Match

Another interesting and close game was seen when G. Talbot just managed to defeat G. F. H. Bichard in five games, the latter seemingly having the better of play up to the end of the third game. But in the fourth, when he was leading by two games to one, Talbot came up and with the score tied at 8-8, Bichard could not put away game point and Talbot ran out winner. The last game saw another hard struggle and here Talbot was able to maintain a slight advantage, his cross court shots tiring out his opponent, and he went out winner at 9-7.

H. Maitland, the O.C. of the cavalry unit, was able to take the measure of J. R. Jacob in three straight games, his hard hitting putting his opponent on the defensive for the full duration of the match and Jacob was completely out of the picture. J. G. W. Lewis could not maintain the early good showing he gave against J. S. Flood and after winning the first game he lost the next three with Flood outplaying him with varied length shots.

Curious Score

The match between J. B. Brown of the Light Horse and A. G. Norman of the Race Club resulted in the curious score of 10-8, 10-8, 10-8 in favour of Brown, the former showing up with some good long and short shots which kept Norman running and the latter was made to play on the defensive, whereas Brown occupied the centre of the court and made the most of this position by distributing the ball.

At the Foreign Y.M.C.A. the Rowing Club "B" team played a good game to win by four matches to one, both teams turning out reserves and the matches still providing good competition. Two matches out of the five went to five games, that between E. P. Morphew of the Rowing Club and B. V. de Senna of the Foreign Y.M.C.A. being particularly hardfought. Morphew maintained a slight lead throughout, but the score was equalled at the end of the fourth game, each player having won two, the fifth giving Morphew a fairly easy win.

B. Oliveira of the Foreign Y.M.C.A. scored a good victory over R. Stapleton-Cotton in five games, this match being particularly keen. The last two games went to 10-8, indicating that the issue was in doubt right up to the last point. Oliveira won the first two games, taking the first at 9-7, and the second at 9-2, but the next two provided some hard competition, Stapleton-Cotton winning the third at 9-7 and the fourth at 10-8, the fifth eventually going to Oliveira at 10-8.

Older Players Win

In the other matches, R. Dickinson playing at first string won in three straight matches over E. J. Sluis, and T. O. Schmid won in a similar manner over A. E. Lawrence, while P. Planner defeated R. J. S. Brandt in three games. It was interesting to note that in the latter three matches, three players were much older than the general run of squash players, and these three players all did well, showing the younger generation that this form of sport may be played—and played at a standard considered high in this city—by men who set a good standard of fitness to their younger associates.

The match between the H. & S. B. C., and the Columbia Country Club was postponed owing to illness of the latter team's players.

RACE CLUB "B" 3, LIGHT HORSE 2

J. R. Jacob lost to H. Maitland, 0-9, 1-9, 2-9.
A. V. Striker defeated A. A. White, 3-9, 9-5, 10-8, 2-9, 9-6.
G. Talbot defeated G. F. H. Bichard, 10-9, 7-9, 4-9, 10-8, 9-7.
J. S. Flood defeated J. G. W. Lewis, 5-9, 9-7, 9-3, 9-3.
A. G. Norman lost to J. B. Brown, 8-10, 8-10, 8-10.

ROWING CLUB "B" 4, Y.M.C.A. "B" 1

R. Dickinson defeated E. J. Sluis, 9-0, 10-9, 9-1.
E. P. Morphew defeated B. V. de Senna, 9-5, 6-9, 9-3, 9-9, 9-3.
T. O. Schmid defeated A. E. Lawrence, 9-5, 9-0, 9-2.
R. Stapleton-Cotton lost to B. Oliveira, 7-9, 2-9, 9-6, 10-8, 8-10.
P. Planner defeated R. J. S. Brandt, 9-6, 9-4, 9-1.

Surreys Win When Soldiers Meet

Area Details Defeated in Hockey Match; Early Lead Protected in Last Half

Scoring four goals in the first half, East Surreys defeated Area Details in a League hockey game yesterday afternoon at the Race Course by a final margin of five to three. The losers, after trailing by four clear goals at half-time, rallied strongly in the remaining period to score three shots against their opponents' one.

The Surreys were quick to settle down, netting an early goal in the first five minutes through Pike, the first outside-left who beat goal-keeper Jones with a backhand flick. The trailers tried very hard but were unable to equalize as the forwards could not combine. Afterwards, Baker, the inside-left, put the Surreys two up as he netted a good one from point-blank range.

Five Moves

Captain James, the inside-left on the Details side, made a few fine moves but the Surreys defence refused to be outdone and intercepted almost every play the opposing forward line could make. Soon after the middle of the half Gilbody chalked up the Surreys third point from a series of passes between the inside forwards. Before the intermission Baker scored again and the teams retired for the rest period without any further results.

Upon the resumption the trailers were the first to attack. Ray on the right flank was very active as he succeeded in working the ball up several times. Le Clair was pulled for "sticking" in the fourth minute just outside of the circle. Ray, taking the free hit, sent a fast grounder across the goal-mouth for Captain James to convert with a low drive.

A few minutes later the Surreys also found the net. McGee sent over a timely pass from the right wing. Worsford was left unmarked and the centre-forward had no difficulty to beat the keeper, placing the ball into the corner of the net well out of Jones' reach.

Capt. James Scores

In the tenth minute Cpl. Brown was pulled up for "sticking" near the side-line. Ray shot into the centre of the field. Goodman received it and passed to Captain James who again turned the shot past the Surreys' goal-keeper.

Area Details were having the better of the play and the ball was confined mostly to the Surreys territory. The latter defended well and kept the score from getting any closer until in the last minute when Captain James countered for the third time, following a short corner, and put the final score at 5-3.

The teams were:—

Surreys:—Brown, Le Clair, Wright, Cpl. Brown, Swanson, Hickey, Pike, Baker, Worsford, Gilbody, McGee.
Area Details:—Jones, Crew, Ryan, Cleveley, Pemberton, Allen, Wolfe, Capt. James, Goodman, Burton, Ray.

Teeing Off Times At Seekingjao

Teeing off times for this week-end have been arranged by the Shanghai Golf Club.

The last three foursomes given on Sunday's programme consist of the players in the contest between the British and Japanese Consulates, with George and Miura, respective consuls-general, meeting in the first foursome teeing off at 1.28 p.m.

SATURDAY

12.28 Neumann, Fistere
12.44 Schinazi, Partner/Bordwell, Steen
12.52 Kench, Denton/Davis, Maughan
1.04 Thompson, Partner/Dickson, Wall
1.12 MacFarlane, Isherwood
1.16 Vice President
1.24 Grubb, Cumming/Brooks, James
1.32 Brisk, Ross/Piper, Bell
1.44 Jacobs, Dixon
1.48 McDonald, Cowherd
1.52 Drysdale, Jourdin
1.56 Appelboom, Drysdale
2.04 President/Openshaw, Brown
2.12 Saphiere, Dwyer/Ferrell, King
2.24 Deegan, Burnett
2.28 Lurton, Moody (4 Ball)
2.32 Barry, Gavin (4 Ball)
2.36 Vajda, Mrs. Grossmann (4 Ball)
2.44 Malcolm, Mrs. Wentworth
2.48 Ewing, Miss Ross

SUNDAY

8.32 Hartnett, Barrett
8.36 Pratt, Partner
8.44 Tibble, Marks
8.48 Brooks, Partner
8.52 Kench, Denton
8.56 Jourdin, Harris
9.04 Barry, Collett
9.08 Neumann, Ashworth
9.12 Appelboom, Clark
9.16 Jacobs, McCants
9.24 Chalmers, Widdup
9.28 Pettitt, Bell
9.32 Cleland, Terrace
9.36 Saphiere, Glass
9.44 Vice President, Brister
9.48 Drysdale, Isherwood
9.52 Wentworth, McCutcheon
9.56 President
10.04 Blackwood, Rigden
10.08 Beith, Henderson
10.12 Scott, Bone
10.16 Piper, James
10.24 Warburton, Gavins
10.28 Martin, Wallace
10.32 Pearson, Riggs
10.36 Black, Rigg
10.44 Aucott, Miss Ross
10.48 Openshaw, Judd
10.52 Fulstow, Miss Barnett
10.56 Mrs. Germ, Mrs. Wentworth
12.04 Ferrell, Burnett
1.04 Evelle, Berthier
1.28 Miuar, George/Tsurumi, Cox
1.32 Kimara, Jeffery/Isono, Ketsin
1.36 Ishiguro, Williams/Uyama, Evans

Taking a Man's Place

Mrs. Hirch, wife of the trainer, acts as stable-lad at the Windsor race meeting. She was on her way recently to saddle her husband's horse Lamplighter when the picture was taken.

Hockey Schedule Here Ends This Week

Club "A" Side Expected To Win with Ease

The season's full programme of fixtures arranged by the Shanghai Hockey Association will be completed this week-end which will probably see the Shanghai Hockey Club "A" finish their part of the competition without sustaining a single defeat. The Club "A" eleven are to meet their last opponents, the United "B" on Sunday.

Having defeated the United "A" twice this season, it is not likely that the Club will lose to the United second-stringers. The powerful combination of Capt. Cole, J. W. Pote-Hunt and I. H. Kendall should encounter little difficulty to sweep the United seconders off their feet.

A closely-contested game should result when the Seaforths "A" tackle the United "A" in another senior encounter on Sunday.

The fixtures for this week-end are:

Saturday

Second Division.—3 p.m. S.H.C. "C" v. S.H.C. "B," (R.C. 3). 3 p.m. Seaforths "B" v. S.M. Goal. (R.C. 6). 3 p.m. United "C" v. J.A.C., (R.C. 7).

Sunday

First Division.—3 p.m. United "B" v. S.H.C. "A", (R.C. 6). 3 p.m. Khalsa v. S.M. Police (Kiaochow).
Second Division.—3 p.m. Sikh Police v. J.R.C., (R.C. 7).

Thousands Jam Gates To Sumo Tournament

Crowds Bring Blankets in Sub-Zero Weather

Tokyo, Jan. 11.

With the vast Kokugikan wrestling arena packed to capacity by 16,000 of "sumo" enthusiasts who braved sub-zero weather, preliminaries of the Spring Sumo Tournament got under way here at 2 o'clock this morning. As thousands jammed the approaches to the arena by noon yesterday, the gates were opened at 5 o'clock in the afternoon, a record in early openings. Four hours later, the "House Full" sign was hung out.

Because of the bitterly cold weather, would-be spectators came equipped with blankets and other clothing in order to keep warm in the vast, unheated arena. As usual food and drink were brought by the enthusiasts, who settled down for a long wait.

Gen. Taka Hishikari, president of the Loyalty Memorial Association, to which the opening day's gate proceeds were dedicated made an address thanking the audience. Tickets sold at 50 sen.—Domei.

"The Gay Days of Victor Herbert," now in production at Paramount with Allan Jones, Mary Martin and Walter Connolly, reaches a new high in tunes for movies. It contains 34 different songs.

J. Farrell MacDonald, the veteran player, has set a new kind of a record. After sitting down in a chair on the "Untamed" set "to die" several weeks ago the shooting schedule was changed to another set. MacDonald recently came back to complete the scene and finally "died."

Conn Wins Decision Over Heavyweight

New York, Jan. 11.

Billy Conn, youthful Pittsburgh world light-heavyweight champion, last night successfully opened his heavyweight campaign by scoring a decision over Henry Cooper in a fifteen-round clash. Conn, who is looked upon as the coming "white hope," did not risk his light-heavyweight title against Cooper. The young Irish-American boxer weighed 173½, within the light-heavyweight limit, while Cooper was 192.—United Press.

Rowing Club Team Selected

The following will represent the Rowing Club in a Second Division match against Sokol on Sunday at R. G. 5, players to meet at the Rowing Club at 2.15 p.m.: N. P. Downie, H. G. Fabian, G. W. Jenssen, E. J. Muir, H. E. Pether, W. V. K. Chadwick, R. C. J. Harris, S. M. Thornley, G. Harrison, A. Harvey, A. R. Cunio.

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Point to Point on Sunday Arranged

Light Horse Event to Be Followed with Seaforths Covering Same Course

By permission of the Master and Stewards of the Paper Hunt Club, the Shanghai Light Horse and the 1st Bn. The Seaforth Highlanders are holding their annual cross country events on Sunday next, January 14.

The course to be followed for both events will be that mapped out by Capt. H. Maitland and Sgt. Marshall Bolton of the Light Horse in 1935 which, with slight variations, has been followed since that year.

This year the course will be extended beyond the Rubicon Finish to include the three jumps laid in the Third Hunt of this season, now officially designated The Light Horse Finish, after the Light Horse Officers responsible for laying that Hunt.

The senior volunteer cavalry unit is due to start promptly at 10 a.m. for the Ralphs Challenge Cup, a trophy presented by Lieut. W. J. Ralphs who commanded the unit from 1912 to 1914. With the object of encouraging members of the Light Horse to improve their country knowledge, the original conditions stipulated that a Point to Point with three given points should be run, but since 1920 the practice has been to run this event over a set course following the lines on which Home Point to Points have now developed.

Seaforths to Follow

Shortly after the Light Horse competitors have been sent away, the Seaforth Highlanders will start over the same course for their Regimental Point to Point Challenge Cup, and a cup presented this year by Lt.-Col. R. A. Wolfe Murray, at present commanding.

The Challenge Cup was last competed for in 1933, before the Battalion left for Palestine, at Whitfield, when the winner for the second occasion was Capt. J. S. H. Douglas, on his own horse "Butterscotch," who will be competing again this year and we understand is expected to be "well in the money." A previous winner of this Cup was the Duke of Windsor, who, as H. R. H. The Prince of Wales, Colonel-in-Chief of the Regiment, won in 1928 on his horse "Miss Muffit."

After the event the officers and members of the Light Horse will be at home at the residence of Capt. H. Maitland, No. 214 Hungjao Road, when both trophies will be presented.

Handicaps will be published in these columns tomorrow or on Sunday.

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Little Dado Defeats Small Montano

Filipino Flyweight Gets Four Knockdowns

San Francisco, Jan. 10.

Little Pancho hammered out an easy victory over Small Montano in a ten round fight here tonight.

The bout between the two Filipino flyweights was packed with action, Pancho proving to be the hard hitter. He outclassed the former claimant to the world flyweight title in all but the third round.

Weighing 114½ pounds, slightly over the flyweight limit, Pancho, in winning nine rounds, downed Montano for a count of eight in the sixth round. A terrific right to the jaw sent Montano sprawling for the longest count of the bout. Montano was also floored on three more occasions, but he sprang up immediately each time.—United Press.

Queensland Beat South Australia

Brown Scores 111 During Sheffield Shield Match

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Brisbane, Jan. 11.

Thanks to a flawless century by Brown, the Test player, Queensland today defeated South Australia in a Sheffield Shield match by two wickets.

South Australia gained a lead of 97 on the first innings and, by compiling 252 in their second knock, set their opponents the task of making 350 to win.

At a crucial stage Brown came on the scene and knocked up a sparkling 111, which enabled his side to win by two wickets.—Reuter.

Victor Jory has been signed to play the leading role in Columbia's forthcoming chapter play "The Shadow," based on the stories appearing in the famous magazine of the same title. Production on "The Shadow" already has started under the direction of Norman Doming and D. Ross Loderman.

Fancy Bag-Punching Champion

Doris Degreen, 18-year-old secretary, of Woodbridge, world champion woman bag-puncher, is shown punching the bag in rhythm with her elbows. Miss Degreen has been following her unusual hobby since she was eight. She has given hundreds of demonstrations of her skill and sometimes appears on radio programmes.

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David Eckford Sentenced to Death in H. M. Court

Jury Deliberates for Nearly Three Hours Before Reaching Verdict; Mercy Recommendation

STANDING stiffly at attention in the prisoners dock in the H.M. Supreme Court, and looking straight at the Judge, Private David Eckford of the Seaforth Highlanders was sentenced to death shortly before 7 p.m. yesterday after the jury had returned to the court following deliberations lasting from 4.04 p.m. to 6.45 p.m. Pte. David Eckford, it will be recalled, was charged with having murdered Lance-Corporal James Davies on the evening of November 4. Judge Sir Allan Mossop heard the case, Mr. John McNeill, Crown Advocate, prosecuted and Mr. K. E. Newman defended the accused. The jury was composed as follows: Messrs. A. G. Davies, F. F. Sullivan, R. H. Box, G. T. Gambling, G. A. Morris, J. Watson, R. V. Thomas, E. Stephenson, R. B. Moller, P. R. M. Wallis, N. Boniface and P. J. MacKellar. After having passed sentence, his Lordship thanked the members of the jury and exempted them from further jury service for a period of ten years.

At the opening of the hearing yesterday morning, Mr. P. R. M. Wallis addressed the court with the request that the jury be given leave to go to the blockhouse and that they be given the custody of the rifle while there. He also asked for permission to have a responsible officer of the Seaforth Highlanders accompany them. His Lordship said that he was prepared to adjourn the case until the jury had been at the scene, but that he could not allow the jurymen to take evidence from anyone while there.

Mr. Wallis then asked that certain passages from the evidence given by Private Stirling at an earlier hearing, be read, in particular with regard to the distance of his beat from the sentry box. Certain passages from the evidence given by the accused at the previous hearing, regarding his actions as he came down the steps from the blockhouse, were also read.

A ladder was then brought into court and the accused with rifle in hand, showed just what he did when he touched ground, putting his rifle between two steps, pushing back the bolt and then turning. At this point the jury left the court and returned at 10.50 a.m.

On behalf of the jury, Mr. Wallis then asked that Pte. Stirling be recalled to the box. Witness in question not being in the court, His Lordship read part of the evidence given by him and Mr. Wallis thereupon said that it would not be necessary to have stirling called.

Summing Up

On behalf of the Crown, Mr. McNeill then summed up his case. In addressing the jury, he pointed out that, after having heard all the evidence available to the prosecution, there could be no doubt in their minds that the accused did shoot L/C Davies. He added that, whereas in most cases of murder, the actual killing is witnessed by no one, the evidence in this case was different.

Following the outline of all the evidence, Mr. McNeill added, it must be said that feelings existed between the two men on the night of the shooting which would warrant a man of quick temper to commit a murder.

"We know," Mr. McNeill continued, "that at about 9.30 p.m. on the night of November 4, Signaller Hunter at "E" sector headquarters received a telephone message from "E" post and clearly knew that Davies was on the other end of the line. We were not told what this conversation was but it is not difficult to imagine its nature.

As a result of this, L/c Robertson is sent to "E" post and had a brief conversation with the deceased. He returns to headquarters where he makes a report to Sergeant MacDonald who in turn leaves for "E" post and in this connection it is important to note that MacDonald left headquarters before a second message was received at 9.45 p.m. which Hunter communicated to Lt. Marshall.

"In my submission, gentlemen" Mr. McNeill added, "there can be no doubt about this part of the evidence, namely, that something had occurred at "E" post which required the presence of a senior. It is not a question for the Crown to find a motive for the murder, but the Crown must establish that a murder has been committed. What the exact nature of the events at "E" post were, we shall never know but those events were at least of a nature to require the lance-corporal to send accused up for orders.

"Not one single item in the evidence of the accused," Mr. McNeill added, "substantiates the contention that the rifle went off by accident."

The Crown Advocate then recalled the evidence given by Pte. Stirling who had said that from the moment that the shot had been fired, the accused had remained calm. He asked the jury to imagine how they would act had they shot someone by accident subsequently finding out that the person had been killed. He asked the jury what their reactions would be and then asked them to compare these with those of the accused who, according to the testimony of witnesses, had repeatedly said, "I killed him," "I'm ready for the Sergeant now," "I've shot him."

Mr. McNeill pointed out that at no time did the accused mention to anyone that the shooting had been an accident, until he told his Counsel many days afterwards.

The Crown Advocate also pointed out that there was no evidence to show that the accused had been drunk after having consumed seven large bottles of beer.

In referring to L/c Davies' saying "Go and get it" to the accused, Mr. McNeill said that this could not possibly have referred to a bottle of beer because Davies had said these words a few moments after having called headquarters. The patrol was consequently on the way and it is therefore only natural to assume that Davies was referring to Eckford's rifle and equipment because he intended to send Eckford back to headquarters in view of the serious nature of the offence committed by him.

The Crown Advocate then referred to the behaviour of the accused from the moment he entered the blockhouse. He removes one round of ammunition from the clip which he inserts on his way downstairs and fails to replace the safety-catch after loading. Thus, Mr. McNeill contended, the rifle was ready for instant use when Eckford left the stairs.

Mr. McNeill maintained therefore that it was difficult to doubt at any rate that from the time he had loaded his rifle, the accused intended to shoot Davies and that, in doing so, he was in his full senses. Mr. McNeill recalled that in his own evidence, the accused had said that he was not drunk after his last bottle of beer which he had at 8 p.m. He also recalled that the accused, prior to shooting had told Davies: "I'm going to shoot you."

Mr. Newman's Plea

Mr. Newman, in closing the case for the accused, contended that the defence had never denied that Davies had been shot by a gun held in the hands of the accused and that this had been freely admitted. The defence, he added, maintained, however, that the shooting was unintentional and unpremeditated.

In referring to Ptes. Stirling, Northrop and Sullivan, Mr. Newman said that their mentality was not high and that a number of mistakes had been made, and that some confusion had prevailed during their testimony.

The accused, Mr. Newman continued, is an uneducated man and his choice of words when giving evidence, may have been unhappy at times. Yet, his story had been a simple one and indicated a complete lack of responsibility. He pointed out that if Eckford's story had not been true, he could have made up an endless number of infinitely better stories. He therefore asked the jury to accept Eckford's version of what occurred at the time.

After paying tribute to the traditional fairness of the Crown Advocate in placing his case before the court, a tradition which Mr. McNeill had upheld, Mr. Newman asked the jury to dismiss from their minds the Crown Advocate's theory that the accused was to be sent back to headquarters in view of Sergeant MacDonald's statement that he went to "E" post to settle some trouble.

Mr. Newman pointed out that Davies and Eckford had never been on duty together before and he therefore submitted that there was a complete lack of motive for the killing.

"I submit to you," Mr. Newman added, in addressing the jury, "that the Crown has not produced evidence for murder but a theory at the utmost, that a murder had been committed."

In referring to Eckford's calmness, Mr. Newman maintained that the fact of seeing Davies fall to the ground, sobered him up. He then dwelled at some length on the evidence given by the accused at a previous hearing and the case was then adjourned to 2.30 p.m.

Afternoon Hearing

In a very strong plea on behalf of the accused, Mr. Newman concluded in the earlier part of the afternoon. Subsequently, His Lordship addressed the jury, informing them of their duties and at great length reading from the evidence given by the various witnesses. He defined murder and homicide and asked the members of the jury to live up to the great responsibility resting with them and to perform their duty without flinching, however their verdict may be.

The jury left the room shortly after 4 p.m. and when they returned almost three hours later, the court room was filled to capacity.

Visibly moved, the twelve jurymen took up their places.

Judgement

Clerk of the Court: "Gentlemen of the Jury, have you reached a verdict?"

Foreman: "Yes, we have."

Clerk of the Court: "How do you find the prisoner, guilty or not guilty?"

Foreman: "We find the prisoner guilty of murder with a recommendation for mercy."

His Lordship: "Private David Eckford, after having given the most careful consideration to the evidence in this case, the jury have found you guilty of the felony of murder with a recommendation to mercy. That recommendation will be forwarded through the proper channels. The verdict leaves me no alternative under the statute but to pass upon you one sentence—the sentence that you be taken from this place to a lawful prison and thence to a place of execution and you be there hanged by the neck until you are dead. May the Lord have mercy on your soul."

Greek Vessel Safe Off Japan Coast

Repairs Made to Vessel Hit by Blizzard

Tokyo, Jan. 11.

The Greek freighter Victoria which yesterday sent out a distress signal was reported safe today after repairs were made to the vessel.

The S.O.S. was picked up yesterday by the Hakodate Radio Station in the Hokkaido and three Japanese vessels. The message said the vessel was in trouble 180 miles from Yokohama.

The Komaki Maru of the Kokusai Steamship Company and the Yoshu Maru of the Yamashita Steamship Company, both returning to Yokohama from the United States, changed their courses to go to the aid of the stricken vessel. The Nasu Maru, owned by the Nippon Salvage Company, was also dispatched to the scene from Hakodate.

In the meantime, the ship reported that temporary repairs had been made and the vessel and all members of the crew were safe.—Domei.

Inquest Again Adjourned

During the adjourned hearing of the inquest on the death of Bisher Singh before Mr. C. H. Haines, H.M. Registrar in H.M. Police Court yesterday, Dr. E. Hertz of the General Hospital gave evidence describing the nature of the injuries of the deceased. The case was then adjourned to January 25.

Finns Press Advantage on Salla Front

Skilled leadership and splendid courage gave the Finnish defenders their advantage on the Salla Front where the Russians are being constantly pressed and where it appears the invaders have been thrown back again and again with heavy losses. This map clarifies the frontier between the Soviets and Finland past which the Reds have not made much progress.

Allied Espionage Brings Results

Plans Smuggled Out of Germany of High-speed New Fighting Plane

London, Jan. 11.

In one of the greatest espionage feats of the present war, German plans for a new crack high-speed Messerschmidt fighting plane were smuggled out of the drawing offices of the Messerschmidt factory near Augsburg, Bavaria, and have been delivered into the hands of the British authorities, the "Daily Express" revealed today.

"Messerschmidt plans known to only a handful of experts in Germany can now be revealed," the paper declared, adding:

"The plans disclose three facts that may well influence German tactics in the future.

"First, the planes would be capable of convoying German bombers to any part of Britain and back, and using a speed of 365 miles an hour to defend them.

"Secondly, they possess twin cannons which would enable them to attack bombers while remaining out of range of the bomber's defensive machine-guns.

"The third point, however, reveals them to be so poor in manœuvrability and weak in gun-power as to be easy prey for the Hurricanes or Spitfires.

"The Messerschmidt 110 has a crew of two. The pilot can fire automatically the twin cannons and twin machine-guns through the propeller of the plane. The gunner with two more machine-guns, is just behind the pilot.

"Twin Daimler-Benz are twelve-cylindered, and develop 1150 horse-power. The petrol tanks which are bullet and crash-proof, hold 400 gallons of fuel.

"At its top speed of 365 miles an hour the Messerschmidt will travel 820 miles, and is apparently intended as a long-distance escort fighter.

"The fuselage is too streamlined to allow bombs to be carried inside or underneath the wings," the "Daily Express" report concluded.—Havas.

Canidrome Results

1—300 yd. flat.—1, Snowdrift II: 2, Belle O'New York.
Also ran:—Fresh Batch, The Stowaway, Gator, Chihli Black Dragon.
Short head.—Time, 18.48.
Win, $33.70. Forecast (2-4) Div. $154.10.
Place, 1st $9.80; 2nd $17.20.

2—440 yd. flat.—1, Little Marquis; 2, Golden Angelo.
Also ran:—Dan McGrew, Bouzou, Shadow, Golden Dawn.
½ length.—Time, 27.07.
Win, $20.40. Forecast (1-2) Div. $192.50.
Place, 1st $17.10; 2nd $17.30.
Double Event 1/2 (2-1) Div. $45.60.

3—440 yd. flat.—1, Go Smiling; 2, Grand Show.
Also ran:—Captain Cora, Rough Clara, Best, Chihli, Captain Charming.
Short head.—Time, 26.76.
Win, 023.00. Forecast (1-4) Div. $241.10.
Place, 1st $22.70; 2nd $9.20.
Double Event 2/3 (1-1) Div. $136.50.

4—500 yd. flat.—1, Bowster Boy; 2, Rio Princess.
Also ran:—Hielan Lassie, Slippery Sam, Simple Dale, Dah Chong.
1 length.—Time, 31.18.
Win, $16.20. Forecast (5-6) Div. $89.60.
Place, 1st $8.90; 2nd $11.80.
Double Event 3/4 (1-5) Div. $116.40.

5—500 yd. flat.—1, Madam Sloan; 2, Adam's Choice.
Also ran:—Maskee Lose, Livex, Send'm Along, Se You Kee.
1 length.—Time, 30.89.
Win, $14.40. Forecast (2-6) Div. $41.10.
Place, 1st $7.80; 2nd $8.80.
Double Event 4/5 (5-2) Div. $20.80.

6—500 yd. flat.—1, Wild Charm; 2, Jorrock's Best.
Also ran:—Marietta, L'Ousta No, Humpty Dumpty, Bebben.
3 lengths.—Time, 30.63.
Win, $34.60. Forecast (4-3) Div. $138.10.
Place, 1st $15.20; 2nd $15.30.
Double Event 5/6 (2-4) Div. $36.50.

7—500 yd. flat.—1, Fairy Bells; 2, Le Butin.
Also ran:—Fresh Biscuit, Bandit, Lone Tess, Luhai Lily.
½ length.—Time, 30.56.
Win, $30.30. Forecast (6-5) Div. $205.40.
Place, 1st $20.40; 2nd $18.60.
Double Event 6/6 (4-6) Div. $86.00.

8—500 yd. flat.—1, Flying Colleen; 2, Blue Troy.
Also ran:—Distinction, Old Chap, Diamond Queen, Brigand.
A neck.—Time, 30.18.
Win, $66.60. Forecast (2-5) Div. $751.30.
Place, 1st $17.30; 2nd $9.00.
Double Event 7/8 (6-2) Div. $265.70.

9—500 yd. flat.—1, Black Enchantess; 2, Lone Plume.
Also ran:—El Caballero, Tamerlane, Clara Fante, Mad Dale.
Short head.—Time, 30.21.
Win, $50.50. Forecast (4-5) Div. $156.20.
Place, 1st $25.10; 2nd $12.60.
Double Event 8/9 (2-4) Div. 3850.50.

10—800 yd. flat.—1, Madam's Hope; 2, Chilly Eve.
Also ran:—Great China, Red Bug, Funny Business, Fallow Me.
½ length.—Time, 30.02.
Win, $2.70. Forecast (1-5) Div. $125.00.
Place, 1st $10.20; 2nd $7.10.
Double Event 9/10 (4-1) Div. $142.40.

11—800 yd. flat.—1, Woodstock Ivan; 2, Woodstock Robin.
Also ran:—Black Shadow, Reeress, Open Beach, Chez Maurice.
2 lengths.—Time, 29.72.
Win, $14.30. Forecast (6-3) Div. $89.90.
Place, 1st $8.60; 2nd $14.60.
Double Event 10/11 (1-6) Div. $41.40.

New Canal Planned In Japan

Project Will Include Big Reclamation Works

Tokyo, Jan. 11.

Cutting of a 27-kilometre waterway near Tokyo and reclaiming 5,700 acres of land at a cost of Y.30,000,000 will be started in April, the Ministry of Interior announced today. The project will take 15 years to complete.

The canal will be built from the iron bridge at Torite in Ibaraki Prefecture to Funabashi in Chiba Prefecture and will drain the surplus water of the Tone River into Tokyo Bay. This was expected to prevent flood disasters in the Kanto district. The canal will be from 140 to 300 metres wide.

Reclamation work, using dirt removed to dig the canal, will be along the shore of Tokyo Bay from Funabashi to the city of Chiba. After this work is completed, 10,000-ton vessels will be able to berth along the shore.—Domei.

Great War Pensions £38,000,000 Yearly

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 10.

Twenty-one years after the end of the Great War, the Pensions Ministry is still spending £38,000,000 each year. This figure was given by the Pensions Minister today when speaking on work in his department, and he added that in 25 years £1,350,000,000 had been spent on pensions alone.

Although 800 new cases are dealt with each year, the number of beneficiaries has now fallen to 850,000. In saying that it was impossible to speak too highly of this public spirited action. Sir W. Womersley disclosed that 46 pensioners had voluntarily relinquished their pensions as contributions towards the expenses of the present war."—Reuter.

War Memorial Tower for Tokyo Planned

Tokyo, Jan. 11.

Plans for the construction of a Y.2,000,000 war memorial tower in Tokyo will be discussed on Monday at the first meeting of the recently-established War Memorial Association. The memorial will be constructed in connection with the 2,600th anniversary of the founding of the Japanese Empire.—Domei.

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Poison Gas Charge Proved False

Medical Commission in Uruguay Examines Men From Graf Spee

London, Jan. 10.

German allegations that the Royal Navy used mustard gas shells against the pocket-battleship Admiral Graf Spee in the December 13 battle off Uruguayan coasts today were definitely and finally disproved by qualified neutral testimony, the Admiralty revealed today.

A special Uruguayan medical commission, the Admiralty communique stated, carried out complete inspection of wounded sailors landed from the Graf Spee. Its official report, which reached London today, declared categorically that there was no sign about the wounded men's injuries to show they were afflicted with poison gas.

The full text of the Admiralty communique stated:

"It may be recalled that attempts were made by German propaganda to explain away the defeat of the Admiral Graf Spee by alleging that British cruisers had fired mustard gas shells during their battle.

"These allegations were denied at the time by the British Admiralty, which stated no mustard gas grenades or shells had ever been manufacured for the Royal Navy.

Charge Repeated

"The charges were, however, repeated and an attempt was made to give them substance by quoting the opinion of a Germon-Uruguayan doctor, Walter Meerhof, whose Nazi proclivities are well known in Montevideo and who, by his own confession, based his opinion on the testimony of photographers.

"A report by the medical commission officially appointed by the Uruguayan National Defence Minister particulars of which reached London today finally disposes of these baseless charges.

"The medical report bears nine signatures and reads as follows:

After a careful examination of all the wounded and sick from the battleship Admiral graf Spee who were treated in the Military Hospital and in the Pasteur Hospital, the special technical commission appointed by the Director-General of the Uruguayan Army Medical Corps declares it has found not the slightest sign of symptoms which could give rise to the suspicion that they had been effected by war gases.'" the Admiralty communique stated in conclusion.—Havas.

More Britons Called To Colours

London, Jan. 11.

The calling-up of the first batch of the 22-23 age group has begun. These men were registered in December, when it was stated that their calling-up would begin early in the new year. It will be some weeks before the calling-up of this new age group will be complete. About 240,000 men are affected. It is unlikely that any group from 23 years to 27 years of age will be called upon to be registered before March at the earliest.—Reuter.

Crew of German Liner Columbus to Go Home

400 to Travel via Japan, And Siberia

New York, Jan. 11.

The United States has decided that the crew of the scuttled German liner Columbus (32,565 tons) is not liable to internment, and arrangements have now been completed for the return to Germany, via San Francisco, Japan and Siberia, of 400 members of the crew of military age.

About 150 not of military age, will remain at Ellis Island until accommodation is available on neutral ships returning across the Atlantic.

The Columbus, third largest liner of the German merchant fleet, was scuttled off Cape Henry, Virginia, on December 19 to avoid the risk of encounter or seizure outside the neutrality zone. Survivors were picked up by the U.S. cruiser Tuscaloosa.—Reuter.

Italy Ready to Help Hungary

Military Aid on Hand in Case of Red Aggression

London, Jan. 11.

Italy has agreed to send military aid to Hungary in the event of her being threatened by a Soviet invasion, according to a Rome radio broadcast to New York picked up here.

Hungary, it adds, has agreed to shelve, for the present, her claims on Transylvania in view of the more immediate concern of the Bolshevik menace, but this menace is not acute as long as Finland holds out.

Transylvania was a former principality of Hungary, and passed to Rumania after the Great War.—Reuter.

Canada Issuing First War Loan

Australia to Issue War Savings Certificates

London, Jan. 11.

The first Canadian war loan is being floated on Monday, according to reports reaching here from Ottawa. It will be purely domestic, and will include denominations as low as $50.

Meanwhile, Australia is said to be issuing in February £1, £5 and £10 war savings certificates purchasable at 16/4, £4 and £8 respectively. The certificates will mature in seven years.—Reuter.

New Postage Stamps

London, Jan. 10.

To commemorate the centenary of the introduction of adhesive postage stamps, the Postmaster-General announces that in May, a special series of lower-priced stamps will be issued.

New Badge for Airgunners

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 10.

As recognition of the importance of the airgunner's part in aerial warfare, a new badge has been approved for wear by officers and men who are qualified as airgunners. The badge, which is reminiscent of an observer's "wing," consists of the initials AG within a laurel wreath with single outspread wing.—Reuter.

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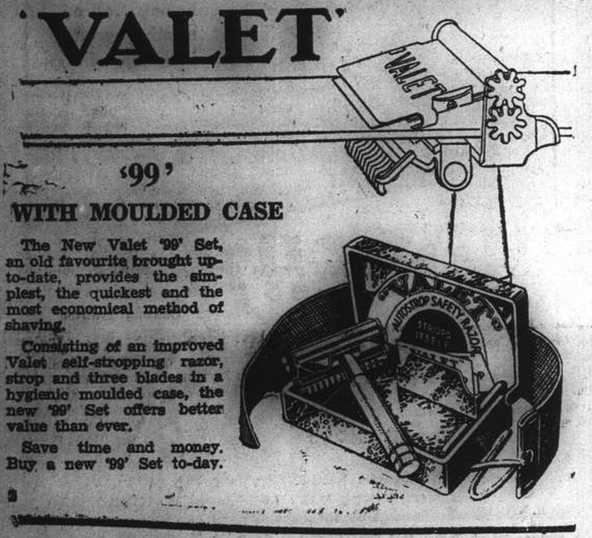
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FINNISH SUCCESS

The further crushing defeat administered to the Russian army at Soumussalmi, the biggest success which the Finns have achieved since the outbreak of hostilities, is an undeniable fact, for even the Leningrad command's headquarters admit in a communiqué that, as a result of the fighting, the Russian forces retired several kilometres west of Suomussalmi. The Russian Ninth Army Corps, consisting of the 44th, 163rd, and 164th Divisions, has been practically annihilated in the course of three battles between December 24, and January 7 both west and east of the lake Kianta, from which it is to be concluded that the Russian attempt to drive a wedge across Finland to Uleaborg, and thus cut the country in half, has been disastrously defeated. Against this it is reported that the Soviet Government is prepared to amass an astonishingly large number of troops for the purpose of making another endeavour to break through, in order to wipe out the damage to Soviet prestige which this new defeat means for them. There are reports that a German military mission is to be sent to Russia to reform the Soviet army, and, it is to be concluded, instruct the Russian command in the best means of endeavouring to turn present defeat into a rather more pleasing victory. At the same time there is a certain amount of tension between Italy and Germany over the latter's refusing to permit Italian material aid for Finland to pass through its territory, an open, and specific departure from neutrality in the Finnish-Russian struggle. It is anticipated that this refusal may have serious repercussions, the likelihood of which being increased by the stern enmity, which Italy, under Signor Mussolini, has consistently displayed toward the Soviet régime. It may be that Italy will be content for the moment to send her supplies to Finland by a rather more roundabout route than through Germany, but that the latter in its desire to assist a friend, whose aid up to the moment has been nothing but an embarrassment, is still weakening the Rome-Berlin Axis is a fact which cannot be overlooked when endeavouring to form any estimate as to possible future developments.

It will be remembered that it was only a few months ago that it was freely reported that the German high command was strongly in favour, for military reasons, of forming an out-and-out alliance with Soviet Russia. To this Herr Hitler was reluctant to agree, and it is believed that had it not been for his intention to engage the Allies, and his fear of having to fight upon two fronts, he would never have agreed to the proposal. He appears to have been entirely misled by the advice of Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, who, given the opportunity of endeavouring to restore his diplomatically-fallen fortunes, came back from Moscow with the German-Soviet Non-Aggression Pact, which was quickly shown to mean more than originally appeared on its face. The might of the Russian armies, and the potential material aid of which it was alleged Russia was capable, undoubtedly broke down Herr Hitler's opposition to any such scheme, and, within the space of less than five months, he now finds himself the victim of bad advice, the loser of German predominance in the Baltic, and without that material aid with which it was thought to defeat the Allied blockade. In exchange for all this he has received nothing but the calculated friendship of Russia which the Finns are most gallantly showing may turn out to be a rather more serious liability than it has even up to the present. The Finns have shown that the much-vaunted strength of the Soviet armies is nothing but an empty façade. They have demonstrated that the most-tenderly-cherished army in the world, far from being invincible, has been defeated time and time again by smaller forces, and in a manner which does not permit of the theory of fortunate chance but only of complete inferiority. Where that inferiority springs from is an entirely different matter, but the many purges, in which the Soviet army has been deprived of the leadership of the men who might have done best for them, cannot be ignored. It is doubtful whether the German military mission will be able to effect any speedy reforms which should ensure a Soviet victory over the Finns, for the latter have by now established such a degree of moral superiority, and the morale of the Soviet troops must by now have suffered such deterioration, that to inspire them with a new fighting zeal may well be beyond even the capacities of the German experts.

It is gratifying to learn that no fewer than eighteen nations are coming forward with assistance to the Finns, and that the help which the Allies will afford will amount to no mere gesture. That Sweden and Norway realize the position, and the danger which Russian victory over Finland means for them, is apparent. But they are receiving every encouragement in the victories of the Finns to do all in their power to make those successes permanent. The Finns have shown that the Soviet Armies, despite superiority in numbers, can be beaten, and it depends very largely upon the type of assistance which the Scandinavian countries are willing and able to give to them, whether the present menace to themselves shall be finally eradicated. It is possible that, in the comparatively near future, Sweden at least may have to take very serious decisions. That entry of the country into war on the side of the Finns would be largely popular is demonstrated by that fine Swedish youth which is volunteering for service on the side of their neighbours in such gratifying numbers. The ability of the Finnish command, the bravery of Finnish soldiers have demonstrated to the world at large, and Scandinavia in particular, that the Russian war machine can be defeated. Even more has been proved, and it is that timely co-operation may at any rate relieve the northern peoples of Europe of the continual menace of the supposed Russian might. The rest of the world has been clearly shown that the assistance they are willing to give these gallant defenders of their homeland will not be wasted, and that it in fact will contribute largely to the confidently-expected democratic victory. It will not be a blunder: it will be a crime if every ounce of assistance possible is not given to the Finns in defeating a nation whose success means, at any rate for a time, their own extinction. They are covering themselves with great glory; they are fighting for just that same freedom which is the very life-blood of the democracies, and in their struggle they have the heartfelt wishes and profound admiration of all those whose battle they are in fact fighting so successfully.

A Good Move

The unification of the British air force in France under one command is the latest development which has been announced, and one which will be heartily welcomed. The officer commanding-in-chief will be responsible, in consultation with the army commanders-in-chief concerned, for ensuring the complete effective support by the British air forces of the British Expeditionary Force and the French Armies on the western front. He will also be responsible for coordinating the operations of the British and French air forces. Involving no change in the principles governing the relationship between the army and air force, this new departure should ensure all round efficiency and make it certain that the best results shall be obtained by the allied forces in the air. The uniting of the various allied arms into one compact unit for the purpose of carrying on the war, and placing each arm under a single command is a wise move, for it gives to the Allies just that same unity of control as that which is vested in the German high command. With the enormous accession of strength which is being made almost daily to the allied air forces it is believed that parity with the German air strength has been gained and passed. There is all the evidence in the world to show that the British and French machines are in every way as good as, if not better than, the German, while in certain classes the former have machines which completely outclass the Germans. The rapid development of the air arms, and that mainly through machines of the latest design must mean that sooner or later the Allies will be in a position to make that bid for complete supremacy in the air which is imperatively necessary before movements on land can be initiated with any prospects of success. In this connection, time has undoubtedly been in favour of the Allies, and the fact that they have been making good use of their opportunities is the best possible augury for their success when all that has been done of recent years is put to the test of war.

The Munich Bombing

The Berlin correspondent of the "Handelsblad," according to a message from Amsterdam, reports that the Gestapo, under Herr Heinrich Himmler, is preparing a report based on "sensational revelations" alleged to have been made by Captain Stevens, and Mr. Best, the two Englishmen kidnapped by the Gestapo at Venlo on the Netherlands-German frontier on November 9. The report, it is said, is designed as a reply to the Holland Government's démarche to Berlin on the subject of the kidnapping. It does not matter what the contents of this document are, for they cannot justify a breach of Netherlands' territory, which course, is what the démarche deals with. Of the many theories put forward to account for the Munich bombing the most interesting appears in the December number of the American monthly "The New Age," which probably explains a great deal more than was at first apparent:—

Before he (Herr Himmler) came into office he was an innocuous yearner, but, it seems to us, he has developed into a full-fledged climber. In short, all our information seems to indicate that Herr Himmler is at odds with two conditions, first that he is not ruler of Germany and second that Goering, and not he, is the crown prince.

On the other hand, Herr Himmler has a well-developed sense of order. Anarchy or chaos offend him, even as philosophic concepts. So he goes about his appointed task of keeping order. Certain irregularities are winked at, however. His agents could not have been completely unaware of the Munich plot. Subsequent investigations have proved that it was carefully conceived, skilfully and professionally executed, and that it required the plotting (to say nothing of the actual work) of many individuals. It appears they must have been drawn from a variety of crafts and sciences. Such individuals are not floating unnoticed on the Spree.

Herr Himmler has much to gain from his peculiar course of allowing certain plots to flourish. If the plot fails, his department apprehends and punishes the culprits or suspects, and as this is now done without benefit of trial there can be no breath of scandal to touch his hem. If and when one plot succeeds, however, as it must sooner or later, Herr Himmler will be standing by, with his Gestapo ready, to seize the fruits of victory.

The suggestion that, after all, Herr Himmler knew about the plot, permitted it to be perpetrated, ready to arrest the offenders if they failed, or to take any advantage of their success to further his own interests, is an interesting one. It is not without the bounds of probability, and Field Marshal Goering's seclusion before Christmas may very well have meant that he was going to run no risks of being eliminated as the Nazi crown prince.

'A COUNTRY DIARY

Weihaiwei, Dec. 27.—Walking along the road today on my way to the hills, I made a pleasing discovery which enables me to declare that Emberiza cioides castaneiceps, in other words my old friend "Pitsiwee," the Meadow Bunting, is an all-the-year-round resident in this neighbourhood: the question of its "residence" here is usually marked with a query-mark by bird observers as it has never been definitely established that it does more than appear as a spring and autumn migrant, and to some extent nest here in the summer. But there was "pitsiwee" sitting up in an acacia tree telling me ever so solemnly that "Pitsiwee's better again" ..... thus proving to me that the bright winter weather of Weihaiwei suits the Bunting family just as well as it suits me. During this same walk I made two further discoveries not without interest. I have recently made remarks about the Hill Partridges (or *Chukor*) and have noted that while they keep strictly to the highest parts of the hills during the summer, they are not visible in winter as they hide among the rocks in the deepest valleys ...and that they never use the lower slopes of the hills just above the houses: but this morning I had to correct that impression...for shortly after the sun was up I walked right into a covey of *Chukor* sunning themselves on the southern slopes in the foothills...an interesting sidelight on the winter habits of these very shy birds which strictly avoid the haunts of man at all other times of the year. Finally, I had something in the nature of a jar when, at the top of the highest hill I walked up, I saw a very healthy-looking hare which should by all the rules have been down below stealing the last bits of green in my garden: how such an animal can subsist in the bleak hill-tops I do not know...unless there is some nourishment to be obtained from the few remaining Scotch firs, which in their turn seem to have the national gift of living on next to nothing.

IN PARENTHESIS

Her Record

Two women were talking in a bus the other night and one said: "That's a lovely necklace you're wearing." "Isn't it?" the second one said. "It's made out of my old wedding rings."

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Plenty of Him

At the end of an Army concert, an announcer came forward brandishing a five-pound note and said, "Someone here has lost this. Will he please go to the Commanding Officer's office and form a queue?"

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Picturesque

If you want your child to speak correctly, send him to the pictures, says Prof. G. S. Browne, Professor of Education at Melbourne University.—Daily paper.

Anyway, it will make his English—or his American—more "picturesque."

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Familiar Weapons

A MILITIAMAN was being reprimanded for the poor progress he was making with his rifle.

Instructor: "If only you could handle your rifle as you handle your knife and fork...."

Militiaman: "Yes, sergeant, but I've had 19 years' practice with a knife and fork."

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Counterfeit

"Hullo, Slimey. I'm sorry I put a dirty trick across you last week." "Whatter you mean?" "Well, the diamond bracelet I sold you was a fake." "Oh, that's all right. I paid you with the money I took out of your hip pocket." "Oh, that's quite O.K., it was counterfeit."

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Flying High

A CONVOY of Army lorries had just come to a standstill, and the drivers were watching an R.A.F. plane flying at a great height.

One of the drivers said to his mate, "Say, Bill, I shouldn't care to be up there with that pilot."

Bill promptly replied: "I shouldn't care to be up there without him."

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Scalding Hot

A MEDICAL student was having lessons in the art of bathing a small baby. He was given the child and told on no account to put the baby into the water. He started well, but after a time there was a big splash and a call for help. "Doctor! Doctor!" called the student, "I've dropped the baby in the water." "Then pull it out," the doctor called back. "I can't, doctor," was the reply. "It's too hot!"

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Nonagenerian

AN old village worthy died and many of his old friends attended the funeral, among them Enoch, well in his nineties. Said one mourner to another, "There's auld Enoch. He shouldna be at a funeral in weather like this," "Na," said the other, "An' he's lookin' awfu' ill." "Aye, that he is," said the first, "awfu' ill. It's scarcely worth his while gangin' hame."

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Laugh Wanted

AN amusing story is told of the comedian who went to make his will. He said to the solicitor: "Write it this way—My cash, such as it is, or what it might be, or whatever, however, and whithersoever, and—" "But" the solicitor said, "I can put it into proper legal language." "I know" the comic said, "but when the will's read I want to get a laugh."

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For Hire

A HUMAN machine, which is fast, smooth-working and efficient and combines the driving forces of youth with the wisdom of age, is for hire, according to a personal advertisement in "The Times." "This amazing machine can and will do anything. At the age of 26, it has already obtained ten degrees, written two books and 20 booklets and edited two magazines. It will hire itself for £520 per annum. It would prefer military service abroad, but is apparently unwanted by fighting services, to machine's great disgust."

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Heard in Court

"My wife is always accusing me of things. She almost thinks I sank the Athenia."

I STILL love my wife, but after four years of marriage I'm beginning to think there might be something in the idea of "worshipping from afar."

My husband, as defined by a woman: He is the artistic type: that is to say he wears funny clothes and doesn't shave or keep his nails clean.

THE WEATHER

Temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai 24 hours ending 7 p.m.:—

Yesterday	Min.	37.5	Max.	57.0
Same date, 1939	Min.	29.0	Max.	43.0

Rainfall nil.

Temperature at Siccawei:—

Yesterday	Min.	34.3	Max.	60.6
Same date, 1939	Min.	25.9	Max.	49.8

Siccawei's Report

State on the morning of the 10th:—Rather high anticyclone, central over the Yellow Sea. Fine to cloudy weather with variable breezes in China. Moderate north-westerly to north-easterly monsoon along the Coast. Some showers over the Eastern Sea.

State on the morning of the 11th:—Moderate anticyclone central over the Eastern Sea. Low pressures over Mongolia.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Fine weather, cloudy at places, with moderate south-westerly to south-easterly breezes to the north of the Yangtze Valley: northerly to easterly in the south and over the Eastern Sea.—Siccawei Observatory.

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Fierce Air Battle Over North Sea

R.A.F. Reconnaissance Formation Meets German Fighters; Three Machines Shot Down; Severe Attack on Sylt Reported; Hindenburg Dam Hit

London, Jan. 11.

IN the course of reconnaissance yesterday, a formation of British aircraft, on the outward journey, encountered a number of long-range German fighters far out over the North Sea, and a running fight, lasting half an hour, followed. According to the Ministry of Air, one Messerschmitt 110 was seen to crash into the sea, and it is known that another was forced to land in Denmark. One British machine was lost, but the remainder, says the Air Ministry, "having beaten off the enemy, continued to the easterly limit of their reconnaissance and returned safely."

Additional details of the North Sea air-battle disclose that the twin-engined multi-gun Messerschmitts, Germany's latest and fastest fighters, diving with the advantage of the sun behind them, were unable to shake the British formation. The clash occurred some 200 miles from the English coast. British 'planes met the challenge of the faster machines by bringing the concentrated fire of several aircraft to bear on the diving German fighters. Even very heavy attacks from close range were successfully beaten off by the British, keeping "shoulder to shoulder" in tight formation.

One British 'plane was hit in the first attack and dropped astern. A second attack was immediately launched on this 'plane which was seen to fall into the set.

The score was evened up a few minutes later when a German fighter crashed into the sea, flinging a great column of spray. At least two other Messerschmitts were damaged but were not seen to crash. It is assumed that it was one of these which later made a forced landing in Denmark.

The action was finally broken off by the Germans and the British formation pressed the reconnaissance to a depth of a further 130 miles, although several British 'planes bore signs of the fierce combat in which they had participated.—Reuter.

Allies Want 10,000 Planes From U.S.

Huge Orders Being Made For Warcraft; Capacity In America Increasing

Washington, Jan. 11.

The purchasing agents of the Allies in the United States are rapidly negotiating orders for warplanes for 1940 and 1941 and, as a result, it is expected that there will be a flow of planes, particularly bombers, across the Atlantic, more than offsetting Germany's reputed air superiority.

It is reported that the agents of the Allies have told United States aviation circles that at least 10,000 more machines will be needed from the United States within 18 months.

While officials are reticent, it is understood that aviation circles consider the figure of 10,000 to be reasonably accurate.

Great Britain and France have at present 2,010 combat planes on order, and before the end of 1940 orders are expected to be completed for another 2,300 planes, which is about the limit of the capacity of United States factories.

However, by the beginning of 1941, United States factories will be able to supply the Allies with about 1,000 planes a month.—Reuter.

Russian Woman Shot in French Concession

One Gunman Arrested After Chase by Police

A Russian lady was shot twice by robbers and seriously wounded last night in the French Concession when four men, two of whom were armed, tried to steal cash and valuables from her and her husband. The gunfire attracted the attention of the police who took up the chase, resulting in one of the gunmen being arrested. He implicated the house boy of the victims as the instigator, and so the latter was also taken into custody.

The daring crime was committed at about 8 p.m. when Mr. and Mrs. C. Brozdunoff had just returned to their second hand goods store and home at 364 Rue Bourgeat. The husband had gone upstairs when four intruders broke in. He resisted and there was a struggle in which he was knocked down with the butt of a pistol by one of the armed men. Realizing that it was a dangerous job, the men were coming down when they met the wife.

She was ready to close the store and when she saw the men, she raised an alarm. The bandits fired several shots, two of which wounded the woman in the arm and abdomen. She was later taken to the Russian hospital in Route de Say Zoong. Meanwhile the French police chased the men for a long distance, finally succeeding in arresting one armed man. The others escaped empty handed.

Parliament to Discuss Resignation

Mr. Hore-Belisha to Make Personal Statement

London, Jan. 11.

The British Government last night decided to hold a full Parliamentary debate on the resignation of the War Minister, Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, when the House of Commons reconvenes next Tuesday.

The Government's decision was announced after the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, conferred with the leader of the Opposition, Mr. Clement Attlee.

On Tuesday Mr. Hore-Belisha will make a personal statement before the House of Commons, explaining his resignation from the War Cabinet. Mr. Chamberlain then will explain the Cabinet shake-up which created the greatest political storm in England since the outbreak of the European War.

Meanwhile, Mr. Chamberlain and the Cabinet were reported to have started to organize a "clear the decks for action" programme in preparation for a fight to the finish against Germany.

Among the main features of the programme, it was reported, were safeguards against inflation and the husbanding of financial and economic resources.—United Press.

Artillery Elements Active On West Front

Paris, Jan. 11.

Both artillery and reconnaissance elements were active on the West Front yesterday, especially east and west of the Vosge River, a French War communique said last night.

"Aerial activity was resumed," on both sides, the communique continued, and several small areas were reconnaissanced.

German patrols were particularly active in the sectors where it is believed British troops are stationed. The French said all German raids were repulsed.—United Press.

Nazi Planes Driven From Britain

London, Jan. 11.

Anti-aircraft guns opened fire and fighter patrols went up today when German aircraft crossed the coast near Newcastle. The raiders were headed off and driven out to sea. No bombs were dropped, but one house was slightly damaged by anti-aircraft shell splinters. While some people in the streets of one coastal town hurried for shelter, others left their houses to watch the encounter. The air-raid warning was not sounded. Visibility was poor, but black puffs of the exploding shells could be seen against the sky. Firing continued for several minutes, then batteries further north were heard in action. British fighters, flying at great speed, appeared and chased the German aircraft, which disappeared in the clouds.—Reuter.

Finns Clearing Own Territory Of Soviet Army

Russians Said to Be Massing Huge Force For New Onslaught

Helsinki, Jan. 11.

The Russian Red Army was thrown back onto Russian soil at four points along the eastern Finnish front yesterday, Finnish military reports said last night.

A large Soviet force also was said to have surrendered on the Salla front as they faced the threat of annihilation similar to the fate of the 163rd and 44th Russian divisions, which were surrounded and decimated last week.

The Finnish High Command said that 200 Russians had been killed and forty had been captured in a battle in which a Russian battalion attempted to attack the Finnish lines between Lake Ladoga and Suomussalmi. The Russian attack was repulsed, the communique said.

Meanwhile, unconfirmed Finnish reports said that 14,000 Russians had been killed and $10,000,000 worth of material captured when the 44th Russian division was routed.—United Press.

Russians Concentrating Forces

London, Jan. 11.

New onslaughts on Finnish positions are expected shortly following the concentration by the Russians of "astonishingly large masses of troops" on the Salla and Lake Kianta fronts, according to Finnish circles in London.

The Russians are said to be continuing to strengthen their defences.

On the Suomussalmi front, Finnish troops are stated to have reached the frontier and cleared the area of Russian troops.—Reuter.

Italian Volunteers Arrive

Helsinki, Jan. 11.

Italian volunteers belonging to the famous Garibaldi Legion arrived in Finland for the first time today to take up arms against the Soviet Russians.—Havas.

Mutiny Breaks Out?

Helsinki, Jan. 10.

"It seems that a mutiny occurred among Soviet troops in a sector where I happened to be at the time," a Havas war correspondent reported today in a belated despatch dated December 29.

"The Russians did not fire a single shot at the Finns all day long," he stated, "but I heard from time to time shots and loud shouting coming from behind the Soviet lines.

"Finnish patrols, sent out at dawn, reported that the Russians had left their advance posts, abandoning their arms, ammunition and knapsacks.

"After noon, Finnish planes flew over the billets of the Soviet forces in the region and dropped three bombs," the correspondent concluded. —Havas.

Praise for Finns

Brussels, Jan. 10.

"When I saw the Finnish soldiers fight I was astonished," General Badoux, Belgian military expert who returned today from Finland where he helped build fortifications in the Karelian Isthmus, declared in an interview during which he heaped high praise on the Finns for their fighting qualities.

He pointed out that he had seen the French and the British fight and had led men against the Germans. But nevertheless, his observations on the morale and savage fighting force of the Finns surprised him.

"The slaughters of the Russian forces which are announced daily by the Finns are true," he affirmed.

Alluding to the fortifications which he helped construct, General Badoux declared:

"Ensconced in the latest type of blockhouse or 'totchka,' which I helped build, an observer with a light machine gun is in a sort of a bell and, like his comrades in the heavier fortification works below, he is invulnerable.

"He can see, but is not seen. He shoots through an embrasure which shells cannot reach. Two heavy machine-guns covering his flanks form part of the converging fire that pours out of the 'totchkas.'

"All fortifications of the Mannerheim Line," General Badoux continued, "are protected heavily with the densest of barbed wire entanglements.

"Finnish machine-gunners allow the Russians to approach to within 200 metres before opening fire," the Belgian expert concluded. "Then it becomes a real sweeping-away of human lives."—Havas.

Moscow Maintains Silence

Moscow, Jan. 10.

In strict pursuance of its policy of clam-like silence on war operations in Finland, the Leningrad General Staff said very little in its daily communique this evening.

"There is nothing important to report today," it began. "There was activity on the part of patrols and scouts. A few reconnaissance flights were carried out."—Havas.

U.S. Makes Loan to Norway

Washington, Jan. 11.

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation and the Import Export Bank have established credits for Norway in the United States up to $10,000,000, an official announcement disclosed here today.—United Press.

Danish Property Damaged

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 10.

It is reported from Denmark that damage was done to Danish property adjoining the frontier in the early hours of the morning.

Should it be established that British aircraft were responsible for the damage, the full situation will be made known to the Danish Government.—Reuter

Intense Air Raid on Sylt

Toender, Denmark, Jan. 11.

Heavy air acivity over Sylt Island was observed last night from Romoe Island, Denmark.

At 5 a.m. today three unidentified planes passed low over Konigsmark, Danish South Jutland. Residents in that district were reported to have been extremely nervous because of the nearness and intensity of the air activity over Sylt. A number of women were sent to hospital suffering from shock as a result of the air battle.

Several bombs struck the Hindenburg Dam on the Island of Sylt during a raid by Royal Air Force planes yesterday and Tuesday, eye witnesses at Esbjerg reported last night, although reports varied as to the actual number of hits on the dam.

Eyewitnesses of the air battle between German and British planes over Heligoland Bay said anti-aircraft fire could be plainly heard until 7 p.m. Tuesday night and heavy explosions, possibly from bombs, shook windows in Denmark. The firing was resumed yesterday morning.

Severe Damage

Some reports from the border said that severe damage, which apparently cut the Hindenburg dam completely at one point, could be seen from the Danish border.

Numerous planes were seen from the border and heavy cannonading could be heard from the south-west, in the direction of Heligoland and Sylt Island.

One German plane made a forced landing in Danish territory near Ballum, it was reported. Unconfirmed reports claimed the plane had been disabled in the dog fight and the pilot was arrested when his plane landed. —United Press.

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Nazi Plane Dives Into Sea Off Norfolk Coast

A German twin-engined monoplane—apparently out of control and showing a green tail-light—dived into the sea off Norfolk after narrowly missing a gasometer and a number of buildings in a coast town. The crash occurred near the shore in the darkness just after 3 a.m. Later the body of a young German airman was washed ashore. When the tide receded the wreckage of the aircraft, which had a gunner's seat at the back, was found high and dry. Photo shows crowd surrounding the wrecked Nazi place on the beach.

Two British Merchantmen Sunk By German Warplanes

Passengers Machinegunned While Scrambling Into Lifeboats; Master of Upminster Killed

London, Jan. 11.

TWO British ships, the Oakgrove (1,985 tons) and the Upminster (1,013 tons) were sunk as a result of German air attacks yesterday. The Northwood (1,146 tons) was also attacked. The Upminster foundered after a lifeboat had stood by for 17 hours. The casualties in the loss of the Oakgrove are not definitely known, but it is believed that twenty of the crew have been landed. The attack on the Upminster, which took place in the North Sea, is feared to have resulted in the death of the Master and two men. Ten survivors of the crew of thirteen were landed at a port on the east coast last night. Two of them were seriously injured. In describing the attack by two German aircraft, the Second Officer —one of the survivors—said "they swooped down and attacked us again and again, first with machineguns and then with bombs."

"We had no guns and no wireless," the officer added.

Other survivors told how they were machinegunned as they tried to scramble into their small boats, and again as they were rowing away.

"The planes," they declared, "swept our decks mercilessly as we ran for the boats."

The Northwood was attacked by two German bombers off the east coast. No less than 40 bombs, according to the crew, were aimed at the ship, but all went wide of their mark. Later, the vessel was swept with machinegun fire, but nobody was hit.

It is reported that one of the German machines was hit near the fuselage by the Northwood's Lewis gun, which caused both planes to make off.

It is now stated that the Danish ships Ivan Vondrup (2,369 tons) and Feddy (955 tons), previously reported sunk as a result of German air attacks, are still afloat, and they are expected to be brought into port.—Reuter.

German Attacks Denounced

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 11.

Attacks by German aircraft on unarmed merchantmen and defenceless fishing-boats are denounced in authoritative quarters here.

Such methods of warfare, it is pointed out, "must make greater demands upon the conscience than the courage of the attackers, and it is hard to believe they can be anything but repugnant to the officers and men ordered to carry them out."

"Insistence on the presence of armed patrol craft, which so often features the communiques of the German High Command," it is added, "would suggest an unconvincing attempt to impart military flavour into an operation which suggests the calculated brutality and cowardice of a gunman, rather than the chivalry and courage of an airman."—Reuter.

Norwegian Ship Strikes Mine

Oslo, Jan. 11.

Part of the crew of the Norwegian steamer Manx (1,343 tons), which struck a mine yesterday, have been rescued, reports the master of another Norwegian vessel. Seven members of the Manx's crew are still missing.—Reuter.

Broke Her Back

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 11.

The Union Castle liner Rothesay Castle (7,000 tons), which struck a reef off the west coast of Scotland on the night of January 4, has broken her back and is likely to sink. She carried no passengers.

The French steamer Montauban (4,191 tons) is feared to have met with the same disaster when she went aground off the north-east coast of Britain on Tuesday.

All the crew are safe. The captain and three men have remained aboard. A life-boat took off the remaining 39 seamen.—Reuter.

German Warships Waiting

New York, Jan. 11.

German warships have been reported cruising about the equator, presumably waiting to escort the German merchantmen ordered to leave Brazilian ports, according to the Rio de Janeiro correspondent of the "New York Times."

Seven of the German vessels which have received "ultimatum" are ready with cargoes of coffee, cotton, ore, tobacco and beef.—Reuter.

Japanese Version Of Shooting

Gendarmerie's Statement On Attempt to Murder Mr. Godfrey Phillips

Denying persistent reports that the assassins of Mr. Godfrey Phillips, Secretary and Commissioner-General of the Shanghai Municipal Council, had been arrested, Japanese gendarmerie authorities here last night issued a lengthy statement on their investigations, in which they alleged that the false rumours were circulated for the purpose of "embittering relations between the Japanese and the Council."

The statement of the gendarmerie disclosed that a gang of armed robbers had been seen in the vicinity of the Avenue Haig spot where Mr. Phillips was attacked Jan. 6. There was no proof, the statement said, that members of this gang, who were seen at about 8.30 o'clock 500 metres from the place of the shooting, were the same gunmen who attacked the Council official 45 minutes later. Japanese gendarmes had gone out to arrest the robber gang and the statement indicated that this might have caused confused reports about arrest of the assailants of Mr. Phillips. The statement declared that a view of the Council that the assassins and robbers were members of the same gang was a "careless contention." If the culprits actually had been seized the Japanese gendarmerie would willingly and promptly have handed them over, the statement said. It was plain, the statement charged, that the rumours had been "intentionally fabricated."

Statement

The statement in full follows:

"While negotiations have been progressing smoothly between the Special Municipality of Shanghai and the Shanghai Municipal Council since the end of last year, toward settlement of the much confused administrative and policing problems of the Extra-Settlement district of Western Shanghai, aided by the sincere attitude of the Municipal Council, there came a shock not only to the Special Municipality but to the Japanese authorities in the attack on Mr. Godfrey Phillips, Secretary and Commissioner-General of the Shanghai Municipal Council, by ruffians in broad daylight January 6.

"The outrageous act was indeed a malevolent one, and this detachment is energetically endeavouring to arrest the culprits.

"It is extremely regrettable that directly after the incident rumours were circulated in the Council and on the street alleging that the culprits were in custody of the Japanese gendarmerie and that the Japanese were wilfully denying this while refusing to hand them over to the Council. Such rumours are still widely heard even at present as if they were true, much to the surprise of this detachment.

"Should such important criminals have been under detention by this detachment, this detachment would not hesitate willingly and promptly to hand them over to the Council, irrespective of legal questions involved in such handing over. It would act with the intention of bettering the already improving relations between the Council and the Municipality, thus providing assistance to the Council.

"In the belief that such rumours simply cause deterioration of the relations between the Japanese and the Council, as well as international relations, this detachment thought it fitting to make public its own findings in the investigations conducted since the incident."

The Japanese Gendarmerie then reviewed the facts of the case as known to them. —Domei.

Coincidence On High Seas Described; Spain Repays Debt of Gratitude

Spaniards Rescue French Seamen of Warship Which Had Saved Burning Merchant Vessel's Crew

Madrid, Jan. 10.

An instance of heroism on the highseas, when a French warship took great risk and time out from war duties to rescue people aboard a burning Spanish merchant ship, was recalled and praised highly by the Phalangist newspaper "Arriba" today in an editorial entitled "Sea Courtesy."

The "Arriba" pointed out, too, that the warship in question, the patrol-boat Barsac, sank two days ago off the Spanish coast and that Spanish sailors then tried to repay their debt of gratitude in going to her rescue.

"When our ship, the Cabo San Antonio, was burning in the middle of the Atlantic," the Phalangist newspaper stated, "French sailors saved our countrymen from certain death.

"Thanks to the French sailors, many Spaniards, among them members of the family of one of our glorious military leaders, safely made port after facing tragedy in mid-ocean.

"The joy and the gratitude of our countrymen is deep at the thought of the French sailors' heroic actions.

"Unhappily," the "Arriba" continued, "the French warship Barsac sank the day before yesterday off our coasts. It gives our seamen an opportunity to repay the heroic actions of these French comrades who saved the Cabo San Antonio's passengers and crew.

"This case is now proof of the heroism of all seamen and has high significance."—Havas.

No Date for Opening Of Yangtze

Tokyo, Jan. 11.

The Japanese navy spokesman said here today that Japan was trying to reopen the Yangtze River as far as Nanking on a limited basis "as soon as possible." "No definite date can be mentioned for the reopening," he said, however.—United Press.

Nazis Not Fighting A Decrepit Power

Colonial Secretary Makes Strong Reply to Hitler's Bombastic Message

London, Jan. 11.

"It is not against an old, decrepit Power that Hitler has hurled, in a gambler's throw, his obedient Nazi Germany, but against a mighty and young Commonwealth of nations, which is an invincible combination," declared Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, Colonial Secretary, in a broadcast to the Empire last night.

The speech was in reply to the German Chancellor's bombastic New Year message to the Nazi Party, in which he declared that the German battle was being waged against the "old Powers of a decaying world."

"Those wishing to learn the quality of Great Britain's strength," declared Mr. MacDonald, "must look not only to this island, but beyond to all corners of the earth, where there are peoples associated in a happy union under the British Crown."

"There is the proud array of Dominions," the Colonial Secretary continued. "Those new nations yield nothing in youthly qualities to other people.

"Then there are India and Burma, and two score countries of the Colonial Empire. Some of these peoples are old, some young, but under the benevolent rule of the Crown they are travelling along the road towards ever greater liberty."

Mr. MacDonald said the "present struggle is between the old system of force and a new system in which free, equal nations can live amicably and peacefully together."

"Great Britain and the Dominions," he concluded, "are a company of free nations living in permanent accord. That fact is the surest guarantee that victory will be ours."—Reuter.

Big Public Utility Firm In U.S. Bankrupt

New York, Jan. 11.

The Associated Gas and Electric Company, with utilities in eastern United States ranging from Maine to Florida, today filed a bankruptcy petition.

A few hours before the company filed the petition, the Securities and Exchange Commission refused to permit one of the company's subsidiaries, the Associated Gas and Electric Corporation, to pay dividends on the capital stock or interest on the note held by the parent company.—United Press.

M. Kaganovitch Gets Another Post

Moscow, Jan. 11.

M. Kaganovitch, Soviet Commissar for Aviation Industry, has been transferred to another post, it is announced here today. He will be succeeded by M. Shakhurin.—Reuter.

Japan Resents U.S. Proposals To Fortify Guam

Tokyo Naval Spokesman Declares Plan Poor Response to Yangtze Opening; Disputes in U.S.

FROM PERCY WHITEING
N.C.D.N. Special Correspondent in Japan

Tokyo, Jan. 11.

THE assistant spokesman of the Japanese navy, Captain Okuma, told me today that the American proposal to increase their navy by twenty-five per cent., as reported here, appeared to be designed to gain superiority over Japan. The Japanese navy, naturally, though their policy was one of non-menace and non-aggresion, feel most concerned. "If the proposal is sanctioned, we leave it to your imagination what Japan will do", he said.

The Japanese press generally comments that the proposal is a poor return for Japan's announcement concerning the reopening of the Yangtze. This response is believed here to be well taken. The spokesman told me that the United States' plans to improve Guam harbour, or fortify the island, seemed to Japanese to have been determined in "bad grace". He added that the Japanese authorities were busily engaged in efforts to reopen the Yangtze, but circumstances made it impossible to name any date for the reopening.

Tokyo, Jan. 11.

Reconsideration of plans by the United States Navy to fortify Guam Island 1,300 miles south of Yokohama, shows a "rather ungraceful arttitude," the Japanese navy spokesman said here today.

He recalled that the United States had shelved such plans during the last session of Congress and indicated that Japan took strong objection to the revival of the Guam fortification plans.

He added that the appointment of Admiral Claude C. Bloch, former Commander-in-Chief of the U.S. Fleet, as Commandant of the 14th Naval District at Pearl Harbour," Hawaii, "may be a move to strengthen the American navy against Japan."

Concern Over Big Ships

Referring to reports that the United States may build 50,000 ton battleships, the spokesman said that "not only Japan, but also other countries, will feel great concern if the construction of such ships is begun."

The spokesman said Japan is not in a position to exchange information regarding naval building plans with other naval powers, which was suggested as a possible way to prevent a naval race. He said, however, that this plan might possibly be effective.

The spokesman said it is "certainly poor sportsmanship to rake up the question" of the fortification of Guam again.

The spokesman said that the action Japan would take in the event the United States begins a naval building programme can be imagined by "the grave concern" which she feels toward the American naval plans.

Changes Must Be Authorized

The House Naval Affairs Committee must authorize improvements of naval facilities at Guam before the $4,000,000 appropriation for the purpose is provided, Mr. Carl Vinson, Chairman of the Committee, insisted yesterday.

The Democratic Representative of Georgia said he is prepared to make a point of order against the improvements the navy seeks, unless the navy first obtains specific authorization to spend the money.

Admiral Harold R. Stark, Chief of Naval Operations, who revealed in his testimony before the Committee on Tuesday that the navy was planning the improvements, appeared before the committee for the third time yesterday and said the United States could legally fortify its island possessions in the Pacific under the existing treaty situation.

Admiral Stark said the United States held the Nine Power Treaty, which prohibited the fortification of the islands, only technically in existence, since it also guaranteed the integrity of China.

U.S. "Outsmarted"

Admiral Stark said that Japan had "outsmarted" the United States by including in the Nine Power Treaty a clause prohibiting the fortification of Guam Island.

Mr. Vinson announced that he had taken his stand as a result of the dispute which arose in the Committee meeting the previous day when Admiral Stark revealed the navy's intentions at Guam.

Mr. Ralph E. Church, Republican member of the Committee, asked Admiral Stark why the navy had placed Guam in the 14th Navy District with Hawaii.

"Had we not placed Guam in the 14th District," Admiral Stark replied, "we would still ask for $4,000,000 in the same manner."

Senator William Borah, veteran Republican isolationist, said he would fight the Guam development appropriation bill if it reached the Senate. Referring to the navy's inclusion of Guam in the 14th Naval District, Senator Borah said, "It seems to me that in a matter of this kind the transaction should be open and above board."

Mr. Melvin Maas, Republican of Minnesota, a member of the House Naval Affairs Committee, said he would support the proposal to develop Guam.

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Gen. Abe Expected To Resign

Press in Japan Generally Opposed to Cabinet; More Energetic Policy Wanted

Tokyo, Jan. 11.

All newspapers this morning agree that the Prime Minister, General Noboyuki Abe, will definitely resign after the Privy Council has approved the Japanese-Soviet provisional fisheries agreement on Saturday.

The resignation is expected on Sunday or Monday, provided the Lord Privy Seal, Mr. K. Yuasa, and the President of the Privy Council, Prince Konoye, are meanwhile able to find a successor acceptable to the army and navy, and political, financial and industrial circles.

In this connection the "Asahi Shimbun" declares that hopes and speculative ideas are all in confusion in the quarters concerned, including senior statesmen close to the Throne and military and political circles.

Various ups and downs, it adds, are unavoidable before these become united.

The newspaper forecasts an extraordinary session of the Cabinet on January 15, when the Premier will express his determination to resign.

Well-informed circles believe that the new Premier will probably be a military man on the retired list, but it is possible that a general on the active list may be commanded to form a Cabinet.

The "Asahi" makes the interesting note that the recommendation of a new Premier to the Emperor nowadays is the responsibility of the Keeper of the Privy Seal, Mr. Yuasa, though the views of the aged Prince Saionji, the Elder Statesman, continue to be consulted.

Powerful Cabinet Wanted

In reviewing the records of the three Cabinets, the Prince Konoye, Baron Hiranuma and General Abe administrations, which have been in office since the start of the Sino-Japanese hostilities, the "Asahi" takes to task senior statesmen for alleged failure to pay any attention to the formation of a powerful national Cabinet "in the true sense of the term." The paper urges them to strive to form a powerful Cabinet, with firm determination this time.

An important development in the political situation is likely to occur on January 14 or January 15, according to the "Nichi Nichi."

The paper reports that General Abe has abandoned the idea of facing the Diet with a vigorous attitude in view of the unfavourable atmosphere prevailing in senior army and political circles.

It reports that General Abe may attend the Privy Council on January 13, when a protocol extending the fishery *modus vivendi* between Japan and the Soviet Union will be taken up for discussion.

On the same afternoon, the "Nichi Nichi" adds, the Premier will invite the presidents of the five political parties to his official residence to report to them regarding the Government's basic policy towards the proposed central government of China, which shortly will be organized with Mr. Wang Ching-wei as the central figure.—Reuter.

Statesmen Confer

Tokyo, Jan. 11.

Senior Japanese statesmen, anxious to settle the current political situation as early as possible, today were busy sounding out military, political and financial circles. Their movements were being watched with keen interest here.

Opinion was being sought from various circles by the elder statemen in an effort to bring about a satisfactory settlement of affairs in China, and at the same time, relieve the tense situation at home caused by recent political events, observers here stated. The two problems, the observers pointed out, were interlocked.

The Premier Gen. Nobuyuki Abe, meantime, was busy himself. Following a meeting of the Cabinet Counsellors' this morning, he exchanged views with Gen. Baron Sadao Araki and Gen. Iwane Matsui, both Supreme War Councillors. He held interviews with other Government officials earlier in the day.—Domei.

Premier Will Face Diet

Tokyo, Jan. 11.

In view of the prevailing unfavourable atmosphere in army and political circles, the Premier, Gen. Nobuyuki Abe, has decided not to face the Diet with a "determined attitude," the "Nichi Nichi Shimbun" said today, predicting that the crisis in the current political situation was expected to be reached either on Sunday or Monday.

The paper pointed out that General Abe would attend a meeting of the Privy Council on Saturday morning when a protocol extending the fishery modus vivendi between Japan and the Soviet Union would be considered. Saturday afternoon the Premier would meet with the presidents of the five major political parties in Japan and discuss with them the Government's policy towards the projected new Central Government of China.

Reviewing the records of the last three Cabinets, the "Asahi Shimbun" criticized senior statesmen of Japan for their reported failure to pay attention to the formation of a powerful national cabinet in what it called the true sense of the term.

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General Ironside Ends Tour in France

Paris, Jan. 11.

Gen. Sir Edmund Ironside, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, left for England today following a tour of the Maginot Line and the British field headquarters yesterday. Gen. Ironside made his tour in the company of Gen. Marie-Gustave Gamelin, Commander-in-Chief of the Allied armies, and Mr. Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty.—Havas.

Chungking Prophesies New Regime Will Be Confined to Canton Area

Opposition to Wang Ching-wei Seen in Nanking And Peiping in Japanese-backed Circles

Chungking, Jan. 11.

Early establishment of a "puppet" régime in Canton by Mr. Wang Ching-wei is forecast by well-informed Chinese quarters here. They claim that despite the formation of the proposed central government of China under Mr. Wang Ching-wei by the Japanese, the Peiping and Nanking régimes would remain more or less beyond the control of Mr. Wang Ching-wei, who, therefore, must seek the establishment of his own foothold elsewhere.

Under present circumstances, Chinese circles state, Canton is the only logical place where Mr. Wang Ching-wei is in position to establish such a régime, particularly as he and many of his followers are from South China.

It is alleged that the Japanese drive to the north from Canton, along the railway towards Shookwan, was for the purpose of preparing the way for the establishment of a "puppet" régime in South China.

Failure of the Japanese drive, according to Chinese quarters, is expected to affect these plans, which are stated to have received a stiff blow in the recent visit to Chungking of Mr. Ku Meng-yu, well-known Kuomintang leader who was formerly a close associate of Mr. Wang Ching-wei.

Mr. Ku Meng-yu, who flew to Chungking from Hongkong last month, is reported to have definitely declared his opposition to Mr. Wang Ching-wei's peace move.

Mr. Ku Meng-yu returned to Hongkong on December 14 by air after successful conversations here with Government leaders.—Reuter.

Chinese Claim to Be Holding Own Around Nanning

Severe Fighting Continues in South China; All Communications with City Held by Japanese

Chungking, Jan. 11.

INTEREST in the Sino-Japanese fighting, according to Chinese quarters here, continues to be centred in South China, where operations are expected to be renewed in the future. Reasons for expecting a resumption of fighting in this area, they state, are as follows:—

1. Chinese forces are on the point of intensifying their attack on the Nanning area; and,

2. It is reported that Mr. Wang Ching-wei is planning a "puppet" régime in Canton.

Chinese field despatches reaching here from the Nanning front state that Chinese forces are preparing to renew their attack north-east of Nanning.

It is stated that communications between Nanning and Kunlunkwan, which were cut by the Chinese troops late in December and later restored by the Japanese, were again cut by Chinese forces. After a vigorous attack, Chinese forces are reported to have captured Wutang and Tsitang, points situated about 17 and 23 miles north-east of Nanning respectively.

Chinese Positions Bombed

Meanwhile, Japanese aircraft are subjecting Chinese positions in cities in south Kwangsi to intense aerial bombing, according to Chinese report. Kweilin, the capital of Kwangsi, is said to have spent the entire day yesterday in a state of air raid alarms. No details have yet been received concerning the extent of damage done by bombs.

Japanese are also said to be pouring reinforcements into the Nanning area. The Japanese are reported to have completed the construction of a harbour at Lungmen near Yamchow, where it is stated troops were landed on December 15 for a drive towards Nanning. With the completion of the harbour, Chinese quarters expect that the Japanese will commence landing reinforcements and equipment on a large scale. The arrival of Japanese reinforcements is stated to have already been observed at points north of Nanning.—Reuter.

Communications Controlled

Canton, Jan. 11.

Japanese forces were in "absolute control" of the highway leading from Nanning to the sea, Japanese military authorities declared here today, denying recurrent Chinese claims that the Japanese troops in southern Kwangsi had been isolated.

Japanese forces, the Japanese officers said, were gradually pushing back mixed troops of the Chinese 131st and 188th Divisions from the heights south-west of Wutsunhu, 20 kilometres southwest of Nanning. An attack against these Chinese positions was launched on Monday, they stated.

In a surprise attack, also on Monday, Japanese troops patrolling the highway between Yamchow in Kwangtung and Nanning had put to flight 1,000 Chinese troops sighted in the neighbourhood of Chunglung, 36 kilometres south of Nanning, they added.

A reward of $500,000 has been offered by Gen. Pai Chung-hsi, Kwangsi warlord, to the Kwangtung and Kwangsi troops succeeding in "wiping out" the Japanese forces from the Yamchow-Nanning area, the Hongkong "South China Morning Post" reported last Thursday. A similar report appeared in the Kweilin "Hua Chiao Jih Pao" on Wednesday.—Domei.

840 Engagements Near Hankow

Hankow, Jan. 11.

Following 840 engagements during December, Chinese troops facing the Japanese defence perimeter of the Wuhan triple city area abandoned 30,150 dead, Japanese military authorities here claimed today. Clashes took place both north and south of the Yangtze.

The exceptionally high number of engagements and Chinese fatalities was attributed to the successful Japanese counter-attacks against the Chinese "winter offensive" tactics.

Out of the 521 prisoners taken during December, only about 20 per cent. knew the names of their commanding officers, while both prisoners and Chinese dead were found to have carried only 30 rounds of rifle ammunition, one-third of the usual issue to Chinese troops, Japanese officers stated.

This was held by Japanese officers to indicate the acute deterioration of the Chinese forces as well as the shortage of war material.

Booty taken in one month included 20 trench mortars, 56 heavy machine guns, 229 light machine guns, 4,120 rifles, 2,596 shells of various callibre, 10,223 hand grenades, and 635,200 rounds of rifle cartridges.—Domei.

Chinese Base Captured

Hankow, Jan. 11.

Capture of Shihchengtzu, a Chinese base south-west of Sinyang on Tuesday night by three Japanese detachments was announced today.

The capture followed the routing of the 82nd and 88th Divisions of Chinese forces in the mountains west of Sinyang.

Pursuing retreating Chinese troops, the three Japanese detachments were reported to have reached a point six kilometres west of Shihchengtzu at dawn yesterday.

Three other Japanese ground units which defeated troops of the 19th, 133rd and 134 Divisions in the vicinity of Changkiashan, three kilometres south of Sinyang, began pursuing fleeing Chinese soldiers westward yesterday.

From January 4 to January 7 in fighting south and southwest of Sinyang in Honan province, Chinese forces have lost at least 1,100 men, including four officers. Japanese forces found this number dead on battlefields.—Domei.

Japanese Claim Air Victory

In a renewed effort to wipe the Chinese air force from the skies of Kwangsi province, Japanese naval aircraft on Wednesday afternoon dealt a heavy blow against Chinese aircraft concentrated at Kweilin when 23 Soviet-built machines were destroyed during a violent fight and subsequent bombing, the Japanese China Seas Fleet stated in a communique issued here yesterday.

All Japanese craft engaged in the operation returned to their base safely, the communique claimed.

In the aerial battle on Wednesday, the Japanese air armada was met by 40 Soviet-built Chinese combat 'planes of the 1-14, 1-15, and 1-16 types above Kweilin at about 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

In the violent fight that ensued, 14 Chinese machines were seen crashing, the communique stated.

Continuing toward their objective, the Japanese raiders unloaded their cargo of heavy bombs upon the aerodrome, the announcement continued. Nine Chinese aeroplanes which were landing after having participated in the combat, were hit and burst into flames. Five additional fires were caused in the centre of the airfield by the exploding bombs, the communique added.

Attack on Paotow Described

Chungking, Jan. 11.

A detailed story of the Chinese attack on Paotow, just received here from Suiyuan, reveals the Chinese offensive aimed at the capture of Paotow for the purpose of frustrating the Japanese attempt to advance further west after the freezing of the Yellow River.

An unusual aspect of the campaign is that due to the lack of communication facilities in the Mongolian plains, the Chinese military headquarters in West Suiyuan learned that Chinese troops were attacking Paotow through the interception of a Japanese military wireless message from Paotow, sent on the morning of December 18, requesting reinforcements.

A letter from Shanpah, in West Suiyuan, dated December 21, states Chinese forces, under the personal command of General Fu Tso-yi, chairman of the Suiyuan Government, started an attack on December 12 in several columns.

Before the Chinese attacked, it is stated, a squadron of Chinese aircraft heavily bombed the Peiping-Suiyuan railway, also Japanese barracks east of Paotow.

While Chinese regular troops delivered the main attack, the letter adds, they were actively supported by guerilla units, who harassed the Japanese from the rear.—Reuter.

Japan resents U.S. Proposals to Fortify Guam

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Unless we do something about Guam," he said, "we will be just giving the Phillippines to Japan."

Admiral Stark told the Committee yesterday that the proposed 25 per cent. increase in American naval strength would not assure the nation's safety in the event of a joint attack by Russia, Japan, Italy and Germany. He said the United States should be prepared to meet the possibility of a "coalition attack" by the dictator Powers against the western hemisphere.

"With the present navy, however, we could not, for instance, defend southern Brazil and at the same time take care of the Pacific," he said. "We might have to sacrifice southern Brazil temporarily."

Meanwhile, Senator David I. Walsh, chairman of the Senate Naval Affairs Committee, denounced the proposal to make additional appropriations to strengthen the navy.

Fortification Defended

Speaking on the floor of the Senate, however, he strongly defended the navy's plans to fortify Guam Island.

He said he was opposing further naval construction appropriations at the present time because in 1938 Congress had appropriated $1,200,000,000 for naval construction over a ten year period and that thus far the navy had spent only $130,000,000.

He said he saw no reason to vote additions to a "paper navy which already should have been made into a real navy."

Defending the navy's plans to fortify Guam, Senator Walsh said such action would give the United States a "useful pair of eyes" in the far Pacific.

Defence Bill Passed

The House Appropriation Committee yesterday reported a $267,197,908 Emergency National Defence Bill carrying funds for 518 new navy planes and the recommissioning of 64 old destroyers and other warships.

The bill represented a $4,801,615 cut in the sum President Roosevelt requested.

The session's first appropriations bill included $116,218,345 for the army, a reduction of $3,781,497 from the original request of the President; $145,082,238 for the navy, which was a reduction of $967,018; and also a full $1,475,000 for the use of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

It was disclosed that Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the F.B.I. in testifying before the House Appropriations sub-committee, said that plans for an army bomber were stolen from a West Coast aircraft plant, but the thief was quickly arrested and the plans were recovered.

It was later revealed that the thief was an aircraft mechanic, Edward W. MacDonough, who, it was learned is now serving a six month's term in Federal prison for violation of the Espionage Act.

Douglas Plant Concerned

Mr. Hoover said the theft occurred in "one of the great aeroplane factories—a very important plant." It was later revealed that the factory was the Douglas Aircraft plant at Santa Monica, California.

Mr. Hoover said the F.B.I. has created a special unit to supervise espionage and sabotage. This unit is compiling a master file of all individuals, groups, and organizations engaged in activity detrimental to national security, he said.

Testimony before the sub-committee disclosed that the navy has made changes in a group of new destroyers to correct their top-heaviness and has also altered the eight-inch guns on the cruiser Wichita. However, naval officials refused to admit any faulty construction in the Wichita. They said the changes on the destroyers had been "minor".—United Press.

Currency Chaos in Canton

Canton, Jan. 11.

Chinese business throughout the city today has been brought to a standstill owing to the refusal of shopkeepers, tradesmen and restaurants to accept Kwangtung currency, whilst national currency has been discounted 60 per cent. compared with the military yen.

Adding to the confusion, money-changers are refusing to change Kwangtung and national notes into yen. Unless immediate drastic action is taken by the authorities, it appears the Chinese population will soon be in a desperate plight, without the means of purchasing rice and other necessities.—Reuter.

Gestapo Preparing "Revelation"

Sensational Report from Alleged Statements Made By Kidnapped Britons

Amsterdam, Jan. 11.

The Gestapo, the dreaded German secret police under Herr Heinrich Himmler, is preparing a report based on "sensational revelations" allegedly made by Captain Stevens and Mr. Best, the two Englishmen kidnapped by Gestapo agents at Venlo, on the German-Dutch frontier, on November 9.

This report, says the Berlin correspondent of the "Handelsblad," is to be Germany's reply to the demarche made by Holland after the Venlo incident.

The contents are secret, but it is hinted in Berlin that they consist of "sensational matter, which the Netherlands will hear with very mixed feelings."

Captain Stevens and Mr. Best are said to be still alive "somewhere in Berlin" and in good health, but they are still undergoing questioning and are alleged to have made disclosures of a most spectacular nature.

Kidnapped

The two Englishmen were kidnapped while crossing from Holland into Germany in a Dutch car in order to get into contact with Germans to study the possibility of peace negotiations.

The car was stopped just before the German border, and two of the four occupants who alighted were fired at by half a dozen persons, resulting in the death of Lieutenant Klop, of the Dutch Military Information Service.

A German car is then alleged to have crossed the border and hauled the Dutch car into German territory, together with the dead officer and the other three occupants, namely, Captain Stevens, Mr. Best, and the chauffeur, Lemmens.—Reuter.

Anglo-French Accord to Extend After War?

Paris Press Comment On Mr. Chamberlain's Words

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Paris, Jan. 11.

Newspapers here widely discuss the declaration by Mr. Neville Chamberlain, British Prime Minister, that Anglo-French co-operation may prove so valuable that when the war ends neither will want to abandon it.

Typical comment is: "Nothing could be more useful than to affirm that accord now, and assume here the undertaking that Great Britain and France will remain united in peace, as in war.

"Such an undertaking would have two great advantages. First it would disprove one of Germany's favourite themes of propaganda—that differences exist between the Allies.

"Secondly it would prepare a healthy, firm and wide basis for the recovery of European economy and be a guarantee for social order after the war."—Reuter.

Gen. Abe Expected To Resign

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The "Asahi" urged that the senior statesmen strive towards this end in the future.

General Iwane Matsui and Mr. Fusanosuke Kuhara, Cabinet Counsellors, exchanged views on various current questions at the official residence of the Premier, General Nobuyuki Abe, this morning prior to a meeting of Cabinet Counsellors. Mr. Kuhara is president of the Seiyukai party and leader of the orthodox faction of the party.—Domei.

Kind of Civil War Foreshadowed

Manila, Jan. 11.

Hints that the Japanese army in North China opposes the establishment of the new "Central Government" in China under Mr. Wang Ching-wei, "indicate the prospect of a form of civil war among the Japanese civil and military forces over the war in China," the "Manila Bulletin" said in an editorial today.

"If the Japanese army, or any substantial part of it openly opposes the Wang Ching-wei set-up," the journal said, "it cannot last long. Reports from Peiping give further evidence that the army is growing more and more independent or rebellious in its attitude toward Tokyo authority.

"That increases the embarrassment, and makes more certain the failure, of the efforts to set up an administration in the name of Wang Ching-wei under the control of Tokyo."—United Press.

Youth Killed in Fall From Roof Garden

A Chinese apprentice of a shoe shop, named Yang Kuo-cheng, fell from the roof garden amusement resort of the Wing On Company at about 9 p.m. yesterday. He was killed and his body was found in Hupeh Road. It was generally believed that he had committed suicide. A letter found in his pocket told of a quarrel between him and another apprentice which might have been the reason for his act.

Anglo-Soviet Relations Grow Worse as War Proceeds

British Envoy to Moscow Not Expected to Return To Russia; Attitude in London Clarified

London, Jan. 10.

SIR William Seeds, British Ambassador to Soviet Russia, who arrived in London today, probably never again will assume his functions in Moscow, British political quarters stated this evening. The tone of Mr. Neville Chamberlain's speech against Soviet aggression yesterday when he called the Reds "pirates," clearly shows, they contended, that the British Government will not go out of its way to ease Anglo-Soviet relations. Only circumstances in which London and Moscow again might maintain friendly relations would be the abandonment of the Finnish adventure by the Red Army. And this is held unlikely on the basis of reports direct from Moscow and on information gathered from Sir William Seeds.

Soviet Russia is determined to carry on with her invasion of Finland. On her part, Britain is just as determined, the political circles declared, to help Finland.

Moreover, it was pointed out, while until now the British emphasized they would help Finland as much as possible in keeping with British neutrality, now this restrictive phrase is heard less and less.

Allied assistance to Finland will be limited only by the availability of war material and by no other consideration, it was stated here, even though Soviet quarters declare that "anything is possible" if Allied aid becomes open intervention.

British Materials for Finns

British war material already is flowing into Finland along two channels, the one through Sweden, to whom it is sold to be placed immediately at Helsinki's disposal, and the other direct to Finland through Scandinavia.

German threats aiming to prevent Sweden from permitting transit of Finland-bound war materials as yet have had no effect and will have none in the future, it was declared here.

Sweden knows, authoritative quarters asserted, that the Allies would not leave unanswered any Soviet-German threat against her.

Under present conditions, political quarters said, it is a problem indeed to estimate how long Anglo-French-Soviet relations will be maintained. Opinion on this issue is divided.

No Moscow Initiative

Some circles state that Moscow will not take the first step toward breaking off contacts because it wishes to avoid further difficulties while the Red Army is frozen up in Finland.

Moreover, the Kremlin still believes in the possibility of an Allied-German truce at its expense although British quarters ridicule the idea so long as the Hitlerite regime remains in power in Berlin.

In view of this fact that no Allied-German agreement is possible, however, it is possible that the Reich and Soviet Russia should become allies, British quarters concluded.—Havas.

White Paper on Parleys

London, Jan. 10.

The "inner story" of the Anglo-Soviet parleys, in which France joined, last spring and summer, will be revealed in a White Paper to be published immediately after Parliament reconvenes January 16.—Havas.

Fierce Air Battle Over North Sea

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London, Jan. 11.

Reports published in London of continuous daylight raids on Sylt, an island situated north of the Frisian group, are stated early this morning to be without foundation.

Official quarters pointed out that the R.A.F. raid on the Sylt area, announced in last night's communique, took place in darkness.

Yesterday morning, bombs were dropped near Sylt Island, but the effectiveness of the raid could not definitely be ascertained.

Reports that the Hindenburg dam was bombed hitherto are not confirmed.—Reuter.

Heligoland Bay Bombed

London, Jan. 11.

The British Air Force bombed Germany's Heligoland Bay yesterday in reprisal against German machine gun and bombing attacks on British shipping during the last 48 hours, which sank at least seven ships and damaged 10 others.

The Air Ministry announced that before dawn yesterday Royal Air Force planes bombed the Island of Sylt, which is believed to be the main base for German mine-laying seaplanes. The Ministry said that one British plane was lost battling German planes. One German Messerschmitt was sent crashing into the sea and another landed in Denmark during the air battle, the Ministry claimed.

(Germans announced at Berlin that three of nine British bombers were shot down over Heligoland early yesterday afternoon).

Danish dispatches said at least 40 British and German planes were involved in the battles over Sylt Island during the entire day. Either British or German bombs fell in Danish territory near the battle area, it was said.

Reports indicated that the British attack centred over the Hindenburg Dam between German Jutland and the Island of Sylt. Rail traffic was suspended during the fighting, the reports said.—United Press.

Nazi 'Planes Downed

Paris, Jan. 11.

Two German aeroplanes were brought down within French lines yesterday, according to a military communique issued here today. Besides this, the communique adds, there was nothing to report during the night.—Reuter.

Air Alarm in France

Paris, Jan. 10.

A 40-minute air alarm was sounded in northwestern France today but, according to all reports, no enemy planes penetrated French territory.

The military communique meanwhile stated that artillery duels were staged across no-man's-land today and that patrols were active, particularly to the east and west of the Vosges Mountains.

There was also a resumption of aircraft operations, the General Staff communique asserted.—Havas.

Berlin Denies Raid

Berlin, Jan. 11.

German planes shot down three out of nine British aircraft attempting to raid Heligoland Bay yesterday afternoon, the official Nazi news organ DNB announced last night. There were no German losses, the agency said.

The agency denied knowledge of reported raids on the Island of Sylt, asserting that the Royal Air Force had not reached their objective. The agency also charged Britain with violation of the neutral rights of Denmark.—United Press.

Did Not Take Part

Copenhagen, Jan. 11.

The German 'plane forced down at Toendar yesterday evening is stated to be not connected with yesterday's air battle over the North Sea between a British squadron and German planes.—Reuter.

German Planes Attack Wide Areas

London, Jan. 11.

German planes today attacked the Firth of Forth and a number of cities along the Thames, in Kent and the east coast, including Newcastle and Cullercoats on the north east coast, but they failed to drop any bombs, it was officially announced.

All of the raiders were repulsed, Royal Air Force pursuit planes and chasers doing yeoman work in preventing the Germans from making deadly attacks.

The German planes attacked merchantmen off Norfolk, but R.A.F. fighters sighted them and chased them off. An unidentified ship, however, sank after an explosion off the east coast. A crowd watched the sinking ship from a hilltop.—United Press.

Fire Causes Damage in Lumber Yard

Considerable damage was caused late last night as a result of a fire which broke out in a lumber yard in Yangtszepoo Road near Tungliang Road. The fire, the origin of which was not known, suddenly broke out at about 10.30 p.m. and in a short time three engines were rushed to the scene of destruction from the Yangtszepoo Fire Brigade. As fire fighters were still busy at work late last night the extent of the damage could not be known.

Some Chinese dwellings in Avenue Haig near Hungjao Road were destroyed or badly damaged last night in another fire attended by the Settlement Fire Brigade.

80 Men Trapped in U.S. Coal Mine

New York, Jan. 10.

Trapped deep below the surface of the earth, 80 men of the Pocahontas Coal Company today were shut in by a fall of rock in a dark gallery of the sprawling mine, it was reported from Bartley, West Virginia. Early despatches carried no news of casualties.—Havas.

Pirates Get Nasty Surprise

Junk Laodah and Crew Overpower Attackers

Two would-be Chinese pirates yesterday were languishing in the guard-house of a Japanese naval detachment at Woosung after having been turned over, bound hand and foot, by their intended victims, the "Tairiku Shimpo" reported yesterday evening.

The unsuccessful buccaneers, the Japanese daily said, met a tartar in Chin Yun-tung, 50-year-old laodah of the junk Sanhohsing under charter to the Kiangnan Industrial Company of Tiendong and Woosung Roads, Hongkew.

Their downfall was attributed by the daily to an unsuccessful boarding of the junk on the Whangpoo below Kaochao in Pootung. Firing pistols, the two raiders boarded the junk from a sampan. The crew of the junk, armed with various implements of their calling, "counter attacked" under the leadership of the laodah. Before long the two "bad men" were laid out on the deck of the junk, tightly bound.

Handed over to the Japanese naval authorities, one of the pirates gave his name as Hu Ping-chen, 32, the Japanese paper said. He had in his possession $300.

The junk was on her way from the Chusan Islands to Shanghai with a cargo of sand.

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25,000 Were Killed In Turkey Quake

Istanbul, Jan. 11.

The Turkish Ministries of Interior and Hygiene officially announced today that approximately 25,000 persons were killed, 8,000 injured and 3,000 homes destroyed during the recent Turkish earthquakes.—United Press.

Concert of Classical Music

Pleasant Evening Spent at The B.W.A.

Yesterday's concert, held at the British Women's Association's Headquarters, proved a very successful one, for, though it lasted little over an hour, the artistes gave an exceptionally good performance and the programme was composed of well-known and popular pieces.

Miss Winifred Allen, who looked charming in a dress of shimmering green velvet, was first on the programme, and opened it with "Softly awakes my heart" by Saint-Saens, which she rendered so beautifully as to draw long and continuous applause from the audience. Next on the programme, Mrs. J. McNeill played two pianoforte solos, both of which were very popular, witness to her exquisite sense of touch and expression.

Mr. G. Bonavita, a recent arrival in Shanghai, who has sung before the Duke of Windsor, gave clear and powerful renderings of several Italian songs to the accompaniment of Mrs. Lolita Marques on the piano.

Professor Wittenburg was well applauded for his violin solos, which drew loud claps from the audience. He was followed by Miss Margaret Sinclair, who looked bright and vivacious in a gown of black velvet adorned with a bunch of violets. Her sweet, clear voice must have derived its quality of tone from months of hard practice, and if one may judge from the way in which she sang those songs, a brilliant future awaits one of Shanghai's most promising singers.

The evening could not have been spent more pleasantly than in listening to such talented performers as were present at the B.W.A. last night.

U.S. Budget Proposals Not Well Received

Investigation May Be Inaugurated

Washington, Jan. 11.

The Senate unanimously asked for a joint Congressional investigation of the 1941 budget yesterday, but it was expected that the House of Representatives would reject the proposal. If the House rejects the joint investigation the Senate plans an independent investigation.

Senator William Borah, Republican isolationist of Idaho, suggested that the Senate investigate the "Safety Zone" established by the Panama Declaration and was seconded by Senator Arthur Vandenburg, Republican of Michigan.

Meanwhile, President Roosevelt told the House Democratic Steering Committee that he wants legislators to stay within his budgetary recommendations and to do nothing to necessitate the raising of the national debt above the statutory limit of $45,000,000,000.

In an unusual economy move, the House Appropriations Committee voted, fourteen to eleven, for a resolution morally binding its subcommittees not to exceed the budget.—United Press.

THE CINEMA

"The Star Maker"

Larry Earl ..... Bing Crosby
Mary ..... Louise Campbell
Jane Gray ..... Linda Ware
"Speed" King ..... Ned Sparks
Carlotta Salvini ..... Laura Hope Crews
Stella ..... Janet Waldo
Walter Damrosch ..... By Himself
Mr. Proctor ..... Thurston Hall
Miss Esther Jones ..... Clara Blandick
Mr. Flannigan ..... Oscar O'Shea
Duke ..... John Galleaudet
Joe Gimlick ..... Ben Weldon
Mr. Olson ..... Emory Parnell
Mrs. Riley ..... Dorothy Vaughan
Mrs. Swanson ..... Bodil Rosing
Mr. Coyle ..... Paul Stanton

Courting difficulties, singing his way out of them before they reach him, Mr. Bing Crosby shows how, with the aid of talented little friends, success came to him in "The Star Maker," the new picture which commenced its run at the Nanking yesterday. For rollicking music, splendid child-dancing and singing, the performance is an outstanding success. Talented youngsters with no trace of rawness, excepting in their childish trebles, delight with some fine choruses and dances. The story opens with Bing at the piano amidst a curly-headed, serious-eyed cluster of chubbies who clamour for more music rather than bed, and who make the usual apt remarks that both embarrass and pave the way for the romance of Bing and Miss Louise Campbell. As a song writer he is, of course, unsuccessful. He follows up his breezy x-teenth proposal of marriage to Louise with the news that he has quit his job! She, practical but sympathetic, decides her best answer is 'yes.' Hard times follow, but one day, chancing upon an entertaining group of boy street-musicians, Bing conceives the idea of organizing a childrens' act and takes them home instead of "going about that job." From here success and riches are assured. Of the other characters, a new singing 'find', 14-year-old Miss Linda Ware is introduced as a girl who can reach "E above high C", and she certainly soars to those heights with charming ease. Another Deanna Durbin, but even younger, and with as great promise. Ned Sparks, with the inseparable cigar, is his usual droll self. Too little, however, is heard of the Los Angelos Philharmonic orchestra, conducted by Mr. Walter Damrosch. The performance will be enjoyed by young and old.

The exclusive Paramount Pictorial News alone is worth seeing. Shots of war scenes, especially of the picking up of survivors of two sinking steamers, "Mandalay," and "Yorkshire," by the United States freighter "Independence Hall," are tragic and stirring. There are land wartime scenes too.—M.B.

"Night Work"

Sybil Fitch ..... Mary Boland
Homer Fitch ..... Charlie Ruggles
Patricia Fitch ..... Joyce Mathews
Butch ..... Donald O'Connor
Joe Fitch ..... Billy Lee
Wyndham Wilson ..... John Hartley
Smokestack Smiley ..... Clem Bevans
Mr. Turk ..... William Haade
Flannigan ..... Ed Gargan
Mr. Day ..... Alec Craig
Cencio Hernandez ..... George Mendoza
Miss Blatters ..... Georgia Simmons

The film "Night Work," which opened at the Cathay Theatre yesterday, averages a chuckle or laugh each minute and this is to be expected for "fans" well know what happens when Miss Mary Boland and Mr. Charles Ruggles are cast together. They have played together in so many comedies that an audience usually knows what to expect and, anticipating, are prepared to give vent to their feelings at the proper moments. In this case also the director timed his dialogue, so that one laugh did not crowd out another and those attending thus were able to remain on the alert without having to try to guess what had been said. The scene where the two principals and Officer Flanagan, played by Mr. Ed Gargan, try to solve the schoolboy's problem about the chickens and the farmer planting corn will linger long—it ranks next in importance to that grand bit of comedy, played by Messrs. Ruggles and Cary Grant, in which each tries to get into a refrigerator. An unfamiliar figure, Mr. Clem Bevans, plays an excellent part as "Smokestack" Smiley, while the two boys, Donald O'Connor and Billy Lee, are refreshing. The remainder of the troupe are well cast. Inasmuch as all the action occurs on two successive days, the reviewer wonders why the picture is entitled, "Night Work."

Carl Deacon Moore and his band, and "Swing School" (Betty Boop), the two best of four shorts, precede this excellent film.—F.L.T.

"Frontier Marshal"

Wyatt Earp ..... Randolph Scott
Sarah Allen ..... Nancy Kelly
Doc Holliday ..... Cesar Romero
Jerry ..... Binnie Barnes
Ben Carter ..... John Carradine
Dan Blackmore ..... Edward Norris
Eddie Foy ..... Eddie Foy, Jr.
Town Marshal ..... Ward Bond
Pringle ..... Lon Chaney, Jr.
Buck Newton ..... Tom Tyler
Pete ..... Chris-Pin Martin
Curly Bill ..... Joe Sawyer
Proprietor Bella Union Cafe ..... Del Henderson
Mayor Henderson ..... Harry Hayden
Pablo ..... Ventura Ybarra

Another exciting episode in the lurid history of the American West is unfolded in the 20th Century Fox presentation of "Frontier Marshal," which opened its Shanghai run at the Grand Theatre yesterday. The story deals with the coming of the law, in the person of Wyatt Earp, famous gunfighter of the Old West, to the roaring mining town of Tombstone, Arizona. Cast in the role of Earp, Mr. Randolph Scott, plays his part with an ease that vindicates his early apprenticeship in the Hollywood "Horse operas." Acting honours, however, go to Mr. Cesar Romero, who portrays the sickly killer, "Doc" Halliday. Between them Earp and Halliday shoot law and order into Tombstone. Miss Nancy Kelly is cast as Sarah Allen, Halliday's sweetheart, and although she is co-starred in the picture with Mr. Scott, she is outclassed by that capable actress, Miss Binnie Barnes, who plays her part of the bar-room hostess with her usual gusto. Two comic cartoons and a newsreel precede the feature attraction.—T.A.B.

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FROM DAY TO DAY

THE British Universities and School Luncheon Club meeting, at which Sir Herbert Phillips is the guest of honour, will be held today at the Shanghai Club at 12.15.

MEMBERS of the Home and Garden Section of the British Women's Association are reminded that a meeting takes place today at 10 a.m. at Mrs. A. V. T. Dean's, 695 Avenue Haig. Miss England will talk on "Household Hints."

A copy of "Typhoons in 1938" by Rev. Father E. Gherzi, S.J., director of Zi-ka-wei Observatory has been received. The issue contains an interesting article on "The steering of typhoons," history of typhoons during the year; numerous charts and a monthly review (in French) for May, June and July 1939.

IT is widely rumoured that Mr. Wu Ting-chang, Chairman of the Kwei-chow Provincial Government, has tendered his resignation to the Chinese Government. The most likely successor is General Chang Chih-chung, former Chairman of Hunan, says a Hongkong Chinese message to the "National Herald."

ST. Paul's Walden, where the King spent a day shooting recently with his brother-in-law, the Hon. David Bowes-Lyon, is reputed to be the place where the King proposed to and was accepted by the then Lady Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon. The house, where the Queen spent much of her childhood, has now been converted into a hospital for war uses.

GENERAL Ling Chih-yuan, Chief-of-Staff to General Huang Ta-wei, a pro-Japanese general, who was captured by Chinese troops following a battle at Chao-an, on the Fukien-Kwangtung border, last December, is being sent from Shaokwan to Chungking, where he will be tried by court-martial, says a Hongkong Chinese message to the "National Herald."

THE creative art section of the Association of American University Women will hold its next meeting at the apartment of Miss Viola Smith in Hamilton House on Thursday next at 4.30 p.m. Mrs. Ella Ely is the leader of this section. There is no meeting today. The section on world events will meet at the home of Mrs. A. W. Sherriff, 57 Verdun Terrace, on Monday next at 5 p.m.

A PUBLIC notification was issued by the Shanghai City Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday in which it asserted its full rights to the movable and immovable property and appurtenances thereto, located in the old site of the Chamber of Commerce on North Soochow Road, says the "Sin Wan Pao." These buildings have been occupied by the pro-Japanese "Chamber of Commerce of Shanghai," the report adds.

INSPECTORS of the Szechuen Opium Suppression Commission will shortly make a tour of inspection, says a Chungking Chinese message to the "Sin Wan Pao." The province is being divided into 10 principal zones in connection with opium-suppression work, which has been pushed forward ever since General Chiang Kai-shek assumed his concurrent post as Superintendent of the Szechuen Opium Suppression Commission, the report states.

A BRANCH office of the National Savings Association was formally inaugurated in Kunming, capital of Yunnan on January 6, following an impressive ceremony, says a Chungking Chinese message to the "National Herald." Another branch office of the association was formally inaugurated in Lanchow, capital of Kansu, on December 21 last. District branch associations will also shortly be established in other towns of Kansu, the report states.

ALL shipments of German goods purchased by Chinese merchants via French Indo-China are subject to the inspection and approval of the Tongking authorities, according to a telegraphic message received in Shanghai from the Tongking Chinese Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday, says the "Sin Wan Pao." This procedure is now being adopted by the French authorities following recent instructions from the French Foreign Ministry, the report adds.

IN order that their products may enjoy free sales in Chinese-controlled areas, all Chinese factories and business firms must first register themselves with the Ministry of Economic Affairs of the Chinese National Government, according to a notification just received by the Shanghai City Chamber of Commerce, says the "Sin Wan Pao." The Chamber of Commerce has been instructed by the Ministry to notify local Chinese business firms to this effect.

THE Turkish Minister to China, M. Eminali Sipahi, and Mme. Sipahi were the guests of honour at a tea reception given in Chungking on Wednesday under the auspices of the People's Foreign Relations Association, the China branch of the League of Nations Association, the China branch of the World Anti-Aggression Movement Association, and the Chinese Muslim National Salvation Association, says a Chungking Chinese message to the "Sin Wan Pao."

THE meeting this evening at Bubbling Well Chapel at 5.30 in connection with the Universal Week of Prayer arranged by the local branch of the World's Evangelical Alliance will be led by Mr. G. A. Scott, of the C.I.M., the subject for meditation being "The Triumph of the Cross: Home Life and Education." The closing meeting of the session will be held tomorrow evening, the subject being "Home Missions and the Salvation of Israel," and the leader Dr. Lee S. Huizenga.

PURSUANT to a recent suggestion made by General Chen Cheng, Director of the Political Affairs Department of the Military Affairs Commission, the China branch of the World Anti-Aggression Association is launching a campaign in various countries to raise contributions of quinine pills for the Chinese troops, says a Chungking Chinese message to the "Sin Wan Pao." Circulars sent to the headquarters of the association and its various branches state that "China is in the vanguard of the anti-aggression movement and every assistance must be accorded to her."

British Wireless Regulations

Permits Must Be Obtained From H. M. Ambassador for Transmitting Apparatus

Important regulations bearing on wireless transmission by British subjects, and issued under the signature of Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, H.M. Ambassador to China, were publicly exhibited at the British Consulate General in Shanghai yesterday.

Headed "King's Regulations made under Articles 209 and 212 of the China Order-in-Council, 1925: No. 4 of 1939. The Wireless Transmission (Control) Regulations, 1939," the regulations read as follow:

1. In these regulations "Ambassador" shall mean His Majesty's Ambassador in China and shall include Chargé d'Affaires or other chief diplomatic representative.

2. No British subject or corporation shall, without the authority of a written licence granted by the Ambassador, operate, or assist in, or provide any facilities for the operation of any telegraphic or telephonic wireless transmitting apparatus.

3. (1) The Ambassador may issue any licence under these regulations upon and subject to such terms, conditions and restrictions as he may think fit, and may in his discretion at any time suspend, or revoke any such licence.

(2) Every licence shall be in such form and for such period as the Ambassador may determine, and shall contain the terms, conditions and restrictions on and subject to which the licence is granted.

The Penalties

4. Any British subject or corporation who or which contravenes the provisions of Section 2 of these regulations or fails to comply with any of the terms, conditions or restrictions on and subject to which any licence is issued hereunder, and every director, manager, secretary, and other officer of such corporation who is knowingly a party to the contravention or default, shall be guilty of an offence, and upon conviction shall be liable to a fine not exceeding £50 or to imprisonment with or without hard labour for a term not exceeding three months, or both.

5. In any prosecution of a director, manager, secretary or other officer of any corporation for an offence under Section 4 of these regulations, the proof that the offence was committed without his knowledge or consent shall be on the defendant in such prosecution.

6. If in any prosecution for a contravention of Section 2 of these regulations it shall be established to the satisfaction of the Court that the defendant in such prosecution was, at the time of the offence charged, in the possession or control of

(a) any wireless transmitting apparatus, or

(b) any article designed for the purpose only of being used for the operation of a wireless transmitting apparatus, or

(c) any type of apparatus designed to be used also as a wireless transmitting apparatus or readily adaptable for the purpose of being so used:

then and in every such case the proof that he has not contravened these regulations shall be on the defendant in such prosecution.

7. In any prosecution for a contravention of Section 2 of these regulations, it shall be a defence for the defendant in such prosecution to prove that, at the date of the offence charged, application had been made (for the first time) for the required licence in relation to the apparatus in respect of which the offence is charged, and that the application was still pending at that date.

8. Any licence authorised under these regulations to be granted by the Ambassador may be granted by anyone authorised in that behalf by the Ambassador, or, in the absence of the Ambassador from the Consular District of Shanghai, by the Senior Diplomatic Officer for the time being in charge of His Majesty's Embassy at Shanghai.

9. These regulations may be cited as "The Wireless Transmission (Control) Regulations, 1939"

Sequel to Post Office Shooting

C.P.C. and Sanitary Coy. Manager Charged

Two persons, C.P.C. 1289 and attached to the West Hongkew Police Station and Peter Pao, manager of the Far Eastern Sanitary Company at 341 Szechuen Road, who are alleged to have each fired a shot during a heated dispute between two groups of workers in the Shanghai Post Office on Wednesday, were brought before the First Special District Court yesterday and held on a writ of detention pending further investigations. Hearing will be held next Thursday.

It was revealed in court that both of the detained persons had fired a shot during the confusion in which Prob. Sgt. Crank, of the S.M.P., was seriously wounded. The bullet extracted from the foreign sergeant is being carefully examined by experts in order to fix the responsibility of the shooting. It was stated by the Municipal Advocate however, that after Peter Pao had fired a shot at the ground when workers were quarrelling he was caught by Crank and, suspecting that he might try to break away, the constable fired a shot which accidentally wounded his foreign superior. Peter Pao was armed with a licenced pistol and was about to hand the weapon over to the foreign officer when the unfortunate affair occurred, it was stated.

The wounded foreign sergeant was last night described as "satisfactory," although still serious. He is in the General Hospital, where on Wednesday evening the bullet was removed from his back. He had a few visitors yesterday but he was not considered sufficiently strong as yet to give a statement concerning the shooting.

U.S.S. Henderson Sails North

After disembarking 189 marines for duty with the Fourth Marines in Shanghai, the U.S.S. Henderson, naval transport, sailed early this morning for Chinwangtao. The Henderson arrived in Shanghai on Thursday and tied up to Buoy No. 12 in the Whangpoo River. The transport will return from North China on January 18 and remain here for ten days, sailing for the United States via Pacific ports on January 28. A total of 175 marines who have completed their tour of duty with the Fourth Marines will sail for the United States in the Henderson.

King and Queen of Italy Call on the Pope

The pages of history were turned back in Italy recently when the King and Queen of Italy made a call on Pope Pius XII. Picture shows Their Majesties surrounded by the picturesque pageantry of the Pope's entourage.

Embargo Motion To Be Delayed

Sen. Pittman Taking No Action Until After Trade Treaty with Japan Ends

Washington, Jan. 11.

Senator Key Pittman, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, yesterday reaffirmed that he would delay action on his resolution proposing an embargo against Japan until the Japanese-American trade treaty of 1911 expires on January 26.

He said that he had not brought up Japanese-American relations during the first meeting of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee yesterday. The meeting was secret and Senator Pittman said it had confined itself to the confirmation of diplomatic appointments, including the appointment of Mr. Clarence E. Gauss, American Consul-General in Shanghai, as first United States Minister to Australia.

"Japanese or any other matters were not discussed," Senator Pittman said. Asked if the embargo resolution would be studied by the Committee in the near future, he replied, "I have stated time and time again my position. I do not think it is necessary to go into it again." His reply was taken to confirm his earlier statement that the resolution would be considered after January 26.

Support Grows

Meanwhile, Congressional opinion appeared to be growing in favour of the proposed embargo against Japan. Senator Arthur Capper, Kansas Republican and former opponent of the proposal, said he was now giving the resolution "sympathetic consideration."

Senator Lewis B. Schwellenbach, Democrat of Washington, said he would continue to favour penalties against Japan even though the Japanese recognize American trade interests in China. He said opinion on the West Coast of the United States was unanimous that the United States should condemn Japanese "aggression" in China as a specific violation of the Nine Power Treaty.

Opposition to the embargo plan was still voiced by the isolationist group in the Senate which was defeated by the Administration on the neutrality issue during the special session of Congress following the outbreak of the European war.

Senator William Borah, independent Republican isolationist of Idaho, said he was plannnig to fight for a new trade agreement between Japan and the United States. He is a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

Senator Gerald P. Nye, Republican of North Dakota, said he was opposed to singling out Japan from among other aggressor nations for disciplinary treatment. He warned that the proposed embargo might be regarded by Japan as an "unfriendly act" and might involve the United States in dangerous complications. — United Press.

Sergeant Who Removed Explosives Decorated

French Police Recognize M. Chaillou's Services

Chief Sergeant R. Chillou, of the French Concession Police, has been awarded the Concession's Silver Medal (with clasp) for his work in removing, since 1938, fifty shells, eighteen bombs and more than 100 grenades from various localities in the Concession. It is pointed out that he has repeatedly exposed himself to grave danger in this work.

Chief Sergeant Chaillou, who is in charge of explosives for the Municipal Guard, already wears the Concession's Bronze Medal (with clasp).

Chinese, Japanese Ask For P. I. Citizenship

Manila, Jan. 1f.

One hundred and twenty-one foreigners, 62 Chinese, six English, and five Japanese, filed declarations of their intention to take out Philippine citizenship yesterday under the new law extending the right of citizenship to Orientals.

Dr. Gregorio Lim, Chinese physician, was among the most prominent persons applying fir citizenship.—United Press.

Trafficking in Females

Two Chinese women arrested in a Kwangse Road brothel house were brought before the First Special District Court yesterday on a charge of trafficking in females. The police visited the house of ill fame after a husband in Pootung had reported that his wife was missing. Although they did not find the missing wife, the officers arrested the two women and secured the freedom of five girls aged between 10 and 19. These girls are alleged to have been sold or mortgaged to the establishment.

Official Farewell To H. M. Consul

An official farewell will be paid to Sir Herbert Phillips, K.C.M.G., O.B.E., retiring British Consul-General in Shanghai, at the Customs Jetty at 12.10 p.m. next Monday. British and other Consular officials, members of the British Community in Shanghai and other friends of Sir Herbert will gather to say goodbye to the popular Consul-General who is retiring from the Consular service after 42 years of duty. A guard of honour from the British Forces in Shanghai will be drawn up on the Bund foreshore to render military honours to Sir Herbert. Sir Herbert Phillips will sail from Shanghai in the ss. President Coolidge on Tuesday.

Straw Huts and Chinese Factories in Ruins

Fire in Jessfield Area Makes Many Homeless

Approximately sixty straw huts and twelve wooden structures used as weaving factories were reduced to ruins yesterday morning by fire in a village situated off Jessfield Road, east of St. John's University. No-one was injured but many of the hut-dwellers were forced to flee for their lives.

The fire started at about 8 o'clock and burned out of control for nearly an hour. Settlement firemen from the Bubbling Well, Ichang Road and Sinza Stations, as well as Zaukadoo firefighters, went to the scene and extinguished the flames. Some 400 persons were made homeless, but this time there were neither deaths nor injuries as a result of the conflagration.

Two men were being treated for extensive burns yesterday after a fire which almost destroyed a gate-house at the intersection of Edinburgh and Yu Yuen Roads, between 11 o'clock and midnight on Wednesday.

New Japan Luxury Liner To Sail Soon

Kobe, Jan. 11.

With 250 Japanese emigrant farmers bound for Brazil, in addition to a large first and second class passenger list, the Osaka Shosen Kaisha round-the-world liner Brazil Maru will sail from here on January 17 on her maiden voyage.

Mr. Shinichi Kamiya, director of the Kurihara Natural Science Institute; Mr. Mitsuru Hirata, a Japanese cotton grower; Mr. Ujiro Nishiura, well-known Japanese cotton broker, as well as Masanori Yusa and Tetsuo Hamuro, Japanese swimmers on a tour of South America, will sail on the vessel.—Demoi.

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Japan, Soviet Talk On Trade Begun

Proposed Commercial Pact Discussed in Moscow; Hopes Of Successful Outcome

Moscow, Jan. 11.

Formal negotiations for the conclusion of a commercial agreement between Japan and the Soviet Union started at noon yesterday when Mr. Shigenori Togo, Japanese Ambassador to Russia, called on M. A. I. Mikoyan, Soviet Commissar of Foreign Trade, at the Ministry of Foreign Trade.

Mr. Togo presented a draft of the proposed commercial pact to M. Mikoyan and then gave a detailed explanation of its contents. They then exchanged views on questions relating to the conclusion of the proposed treaty.

Another meeting was expected to be held within a few days.

Present at yesterday's meeting were Mr. Shikao Matsushima, Japanese Minister to Sweden, who is assisting Mr. Togo in the negotiations, and M. L. M. Kaganovich, Soviet Commissar of Heavy Industry.

Preparations were completed after several conferences between Mr. Togo and M. Mikoyan.—Domei.

Closer Ties Advocated

Tokyo, Jan. 11.

The United States and the Soviet Union were the only two countries in a position to hamper Japan's efforts to create a new order in East Asia, Mr. Toshio Shiratori, former Japanese Ambassador to Italy, declared in an article appearing under his signature in the "Hochi Shimbun" today.

He wrote that recent events proved that it was virtually impossible to reach an agreement with America on Japan's proposed programme for China and that Japan therefore should concentrate on the conclusion of a non-aggression pact with the Soviet Union.

Mr. Shiratori expressed the belief that such a treaty would help in the final disposal of affairs in China.

Mr. Shiratori has long been an advocate of closer ties between Japan, Germany and Italy and has urged that the three countries sign an anti-comintern agreement.

Earlier this week he was placed on the Foreign Office's waiting list for diplomats.—Domei.

Plans for New Peace Army Reported

Units Said Formed in Vicinity of Shanghai

A movement to organize an "Anti-Communist and National Salvation" army has been commenced by parties connected with the peace movement in China according to the "Central China Daily News," organ of Mr. Wang Ching-wei. Guerillas and others who are not at present in sympathy with Mr. Wang's peace ideas may be incorporated in the new army which will support the new Central Government, it is reported.

According to Chinese sources, many units of the new army are being organized in the outskirts of Shanghai, one unit being reported stationed in Chinese territory near Great Western Road. Other units are said to have been formed in the interior, notably in Soochow, but the new recruits are still waiting for pay-day.

The peace army in the Shanghai-Woosung area will be under the command of the highest authority in the new government according to a notice which appeared in the "Central China Daily News." This notice was issued by the "Shanghai Garrison Headquarters" of the new army. According to the "Sin Shun Pao," Mr. Wang has given his support to the Peace and National Salvation Army in Kwangtung which is commanded by General Li Chuan-yung, former Vice-Chairman of the Peace Maintenance Committee in Kwangtung.

Netherlands Air Company Resuming Berlin Service

Amsterdam, Jan. 10.

Amsterdam-Berlin air services will be resumed in the near future, probably March 1, by the Royal Netherlands Air Navigation Company, the firm revealed today.—Havas.

Mauser Gang Abducts Former School Man

Political Motive Suspected In Seymour Road Affair

A former school principal at Wusih, Wang Kyi-yung, was kidnapped by four Chinese at his house, 10 Seymour Li, off Seymour Road, at 6.45 o'clock yesterday morning. Wang was confronted with two Mauser pistols, but no shots were fired. He was taken away in an automobile and no alarm was raised.

Political gangsters are believed responsible for the kidnapping. Wang had only been in Shanghai since last summer. He had been working here as a silk broker, having formerly operated a silk filature at Wusih as well as being a school principal there.

In recent months educators have frequently been kidnapped or shot in Shanghai by political desperadoes working out of the western "badlands."

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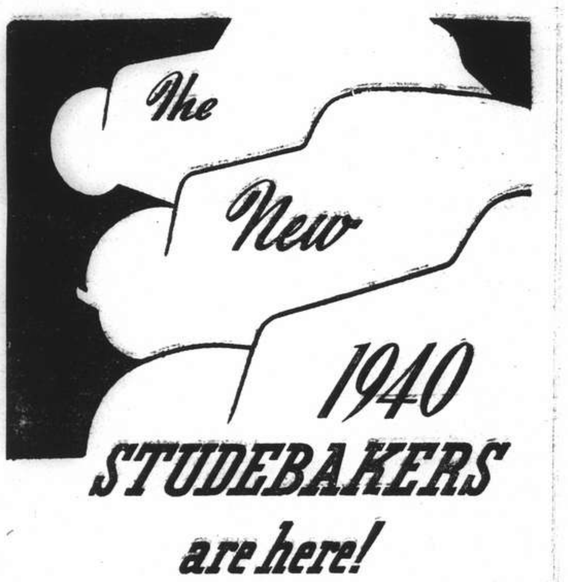

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BANK'S SELLING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 4 3/32d.	$ 49.55
U.S. $100 @ 7 1/8	£1.259.84
Francs 356	$100
Yen 33 3/4	100
Guilders 14 3/4	100
Rupees 26 7/8	100
Pesos 15 7/8	100
Hongkong $32 3/8	100

BANK'S BUYING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 4 11/32d.	$ 48.30
U.S. $100 @ 8 1/16	£1,221.37
London—demand, $1=	4 11/32d.
4 months' sight credits	4 1/32d.
4 months' sight docts	5 3/32d.
6 months' sight credits	5 1/32d.
6 months' sight docts	5 1/32d.
New York—demand, $100=	U.S.$8 3/4
4 months' sight credits	U.S.$8 1/4
4 months' sight docts	U.S.$8 5/16

INTERBANK CLOSING SELLING RATES

Sterling 4 3/32d.	U.S. $7 31/32
Hongkong/London	1/2 1/16

WEI WAH DISCOUNT

Wei Wah $1,033	C.S.$1,000

Netherlands Trading Society

Netherlands Guilders	Buying	15 5/8	
Java Guilders	„	15 1/4	
Netherlands Guilders	Selling	14 7/8	
Java Guilders	„	13 3/4	

Banque Belge Pour L'Etranger

Belgas 0.47 1/2 = $1 Belgas 23.36 = £1

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Sterling Selling Rate @ 6d	per	H.H.$	1
„ Buying „ @ 6 1/32	„	H.H.$	1
U.S. $ Selling „ @ 9 1/8	„	H.H.$	100
„ Buying „ @ 10 1/4	„	H.H.$	100

LOCAL DOLLAR (FAPI)

Selling Rate	@ 122	per	H.H.$100
Buying „	@ 127	„	H.H.$100

Local Exchange Report

Messrs. Drakeford, Davis & Wilson

INTER BANK CASH DELIVERY

£	Highest	Lowest
U.S. G.$	5 1/32	7 31/32
Yen	—	—

MERCHANT CLOSING RATES

Cash	SELLING	BUYING January
£ T.T.	4 3/32	4 m/s. l.c. 4 3/32
G.$ T.T.	7 1/8	4 m/s. l.c. 8 1/32
Fcs. T.T.	353	4 m/s. 370
Rs. T.T.	26 1/16	15 d/s. 27 3/8

BAR SILVER

	READY	FOR'D
London pence per std. oz.	22	21 1/2
N.Y. cents per oz. troy	34 3/4	—
Bombay Rs. per 100 tolas	60.11	—

NEW YORK/LONDON CROSS RATE

New York closing Rate for Cash	3.95 3/8
Local sellers U.S.$ for Cash	3.95
Local buyers U.S.$ for Cash	3.95 1/4

The local exchange market opened with sellers to merchants at 4 3/32 sterling and 7 1/8 U.S.$.

The Interbank market opened with cash sellers at 4 3/32 sterling and 8 U.S.$. Shortly after the opening there was a slight improvement in rates in response to small selling orders, the best offers being 4 3/32 sterling and 8 1/32 U.S.$. These rates brought out buyers and from then onwards the market was quiet, showing an easy tendency, and closed with sellers at:—

4 3/32	sterling	7 31/32 U.S.$	Cash
4 3/32	„	7 1/8 „	Jan.
4 3/32	„	7 1/8 „	Feb.

Yesterday's Rice Prices

Changshu, per shih (176 lb.)	$40.00
Sungkiang „	38.00
Saigon „	36.50

Foreign Exchanges

Bombay Rupee T. T. on:

Closing, Jan. 10.

Japan	79 1/8	London	1/5 43/64
New York	333	2 mths	
Shanghai	28 3/4	„ (sellers)	1/5 31/64
Hongkong	83 3/4	„ (buyers)	1/6 1/16
		Japan	
		„ (sellers)	81
		„ (buyers)	79 1/8

London £ Sterling T. T. on:

New York	402.50	Shanghai	5 1/4d.
Paris	176.50	Bombay	1/6 1/16
Berlin	—	Hongkong	1/2 3/32
Amsterdam	7.52	Singapore	2/4 7/32
Brussels	23.85	Yokohama	1/2 5/32
Madrid	39.00	„ (buying)	1/2 5/16
Milan	77.50	Prague	—
Berne	17.85		

*—Unofficial rates.

New York U.S.$ T. T. on:

Berlin	40.20	Montreal	88.000
Spain	9.95	Brazil	5.10
Holland	53.34	Japan	23.49
Paris	2.24	Shanghai	8.10
Brussels	16.82	Hungary	17.60
Italy	5.05	Rumania	0.73
S'zerland	22.43	Yugo Slavia	2.35
Sweden	23.82 1/2	Greece	0.73
Norway	23.72 1/2	Bulgaria	Unq.
Denmark	19.32 1/2	Finland	1.95
London			3.95 3/8
„ Demand			3.94 1/2
„ Bankers' 60 days bills			3.94 1/2
„ Commercial 60 days bills			3.94 1/2
Buenos Aires, Paper			unq.
„ „ market rate			22.60
Montreal on London			4.48 1/8

—Reuter.

Foreign Money Rates

London:	Jan. 10.
Fine Bank Bills,	3 months 1 1/8%
Bank Bills,	6 months 1 1/4%
Fine Trade Bills,	3 months 2 3/4%
Fine Trade Bills,	6 months 3 1/4%
Call money	3/4%
New York:	
Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months	0 1/2% B 0 7/8% A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months	0 5/8% B 0 1/2% A
Call Money	1%

B—Bid A—Asked.—Reuter.

Manila Gold Shares

(Bids in Pesos)

Jan. 11.	Bid Prices a.m. Closing		p.m. Closing	
Atoks	.21	S	.21	S
Antamok	.18	S	.17	S
Baguio Gold	.225		.225	
Batong Buhay	.015	S	.015	S
Benguet Consolidated	5.65	*S	—	
Big Wedge	.275		.275	
Coco Grove	.155		.16	S
Consolidated Mines	.0035	S	.0035	S
Demonstration	.125	S	.125	S
East Mindanao	.12	S	.12	S
I X L	.395	S	.395	S
Ipo Gold	.13		.14	
Itogon	.29	S	.29	S
Masbate Consolidated	.115	S	.115	S
Mine Operations	.12	S	.125	S
North Camarines	.15		.15	
Paracale Gumaus	.17		.18	
San Mauricio	.90	S	.90	S
Surigao Consolidated	.19		.19	
Suyoc	.135	S	.14	S
Syndicate Investment	.025		.025	
United Paracale	.32	S	.32	S
Mindanao Motherlode	.09	S	.0925	S

*—Over Counter.
S—Sales.

Turnover for the Morning 152,300 Pesos.
Shares Index: (Morning Session) 81.12.
—Reuter.

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

The market opened very steady for the short afternoon session with good buying. Loans and Ewos were particularly firm at $15.60 and $31.50. Rubbers remained very steady, but the volume was not large, on any light drop, good buying appeared.

Official Averages

1940 High	1940 Low		Today's Averages	Change
239.17	105.32	General	227.46	+0.67
293.68	$5.55	Rubbers	364.53	—7.29

Total 236,541 shares, 290 bonds.

Afternoon Session

S. M. C. 5% Debs. 1934				2000	75.00
Power 5 1/2% Debs.				6000	88.00
5000	88.25				
Telephone 6% Debs.				16000	96.00
Central Prop				500	*16.30
I. L. Trust		500	12.20	2500	12.60
S'hai Loan		500	*15.30	1000	*15.50
4000	15.50	500	*15.40	1000	15.50
500	15.60	2500	15.70		
Int. Assurance		1000	12.00	500	12.50
500	12.60	1000	*12.70	2000	13.00
500	13.50	1500	13.40	500	13.30
1000	*13.30	1000	13.20	500	13.30
500	13.40	500	13.20		
China Realty		500	*9.85	1500	9.90
500	9.85	3000	9.80	500	*9.80
500	9.85	500	9.80	500	9.70
S'hai Land		500	15.00	1000	14.80
New Eng. (Ord)		100	21.75	700	22.00
100	21.75	1600	22.00	1400	21.75
100	*21.75				
S'hai Dock				50	235.00
C. G. Omnibus		100	24.00	100	23.75
S'hai Gas				2500	13.00
Telephone				1000	22.00
Tram (Bearer)	£1		—	500	45.75
100	*45.75				
Metal		200	19.20	400	19.00
Lumber				100	40.00
Exploration		500	9.10	500	9.05
4000	9.00	500	9.00	1000	8.95
Power (Pref)		10	127.50	60	127.25
50	127.50				
Ewo Mills (Ord)		3400	31.50	4000	31.60
100	*31.60	1700	31.50	400	31.40
1000	31.50	1000	31.60		
Anglo Java		600	47.75	100	45.50
300	45.75				
Batu Anam		2000	2.50	1000	2.45
2000	*2.45	4000	2.50	3000	*2.50
Bute				500	11.00
Chemor		2000	*3.00	7000	3.65
8000	3.70	4000	3.65		
Cheng		1000	1.52	7000	1.50
1000	*1.50	2000	*1.48	4000	1.48
Consolidated		500	10.50	1000	*10.50
Dominion		500	14.30	1000	14.50
Java Consolidated				1000	6.10
Kota		1000	7.25	1000	*7.35
Kroewoek		7000	3.65	2000	3.67 1/2
3000	3.65				
Langkat		400	29.25	1300	29.00
Padang		2000	3.60	1000	3.57 1/2
1000	3.60	1000	3.55	1000	3.57 1/2
2000	2.55				
Repah		1000	2.15	3000	2.17 1/2
2000	*2.10	3000	2.15	1000	2.10
Rubber Trust		1500	10.30	500	10.40
2000	10.30				
Samagaga		1000	2.62 1/2	2000	2.60
5000	2.55				
Semambu				1000	2.32 1/2
Senawang		1000	*2.60	2000	2.65
1000	*2.65	1000	2.65	1000	2.60
Kedah				500	14.20
Kelantan		1000	*1.56	6000	1.54
2000	1.56	1000	1.52	2000	1.54
1000	1.52	4000	1.54	2000	*1.50
Pahang		1000	7.85	12000	7.90
1000	7.95	1000	7.90		
Sungala				1000	10.00
Sungei Duri				200	73.00
Tanah Merah		1000	4.55	6000	4.50
1000	*4.55				
Tebong		1000	2.25	19000	2.30
Ziangbe				200	*32.50
Kapayang				100	32.00
ODD LOTS					
China Realty		3/4	*9.85	126	9.95
100	9.70	180	9.75		
Exploration		100	8.90	200	8.95
Consolidated				16	10.30
Int. Asurance	261.2/3		11.70	233	12.40
233	12.90	200	13.20		
Ayer Tawah				360	8.00
Power (Pref)		3	127.50	5	*127.50
Padang				900	3.65
S'hai Land				100	14.80
Cheng				100	1.46
S'hai Loan				100	15.70
S'hai Gas				60	12.90

*—Direct Business.

U. S. Commodities

Wednesday's Closing Quotations

New York, Jan. 10.

The cotton market early eased on foreign selling, liquidation and realizing, but later rallied on the steadiness of Liverpool cables and higher Bombay advices. Subsequently, prices further appreciated on trade buying, better New Orleans advices and covering by shorts. Finally, the market closed steady on a good spot demand, with quotations ranging from 2 points down to 4 points up.

Prices in the rubber market today advanced on firm overseas cables, a good covering demand, trade and outside buying and encouraging trade prospects. At the close, gains of 3 to 13 points were recorded.

Wheat futures in Chicago today ruled firmer on general buying, shorts covering, reports of British purchases in Canada and the firmness of Winnipeg advices. At the final bell, gains of a ½ cent. were registered.

New York Cotton		New York Rubber	
Jan.	11.21-21 +03		
Mar.	11.12-12 +02		
May	10.83-84 +04	Mar.	19.63-65 —13
July	10.42-43 —01		B/A
July (N.C.)		May	19.25-27 —03
	10.63-63 —02	July	18.89-89 —06
Oct.	9.97-97 unc.		
Dec.	9.90 N —01		

N. Y. Sugar No. 3		N. Y. Sugar No. 4	
Mar.	1.87-88 unc. B/A	Mar.	1.51-51 1/2 +1 1/2 B/A
May	1.92-93 unc. B/A	May	1.48 1/2-49 1/2 +1/2 B/A
Sept.	2.00-01 —1 B/A	Sept.	1.49-49 1/2 —1/2 B/A

Chicago Wheat		Chicago Corn	
May	102-102 1/2 +1 1/2	May	58-58 1/8 —1/4
July	99 1/8-99 3/4 +1 1/2		

Winnipeg Wheat		New York Silk No. 1	
May	87 1/8 B +3/4	Mar.	3.87 1/2-87 1/2—10

B—Bid A—Asked.—Reuter.

U.S. Wheat Crop Report

Washington, Jan. 10.

Stocks of Wheat on Farms in the United States, as of January 1, totalled:—

1938 208,745,000 1939 281,190,000 1940 238,985,000 bushels.—Reuter.

Paris Bourse

Paris, Jan. 10.

The Bourse opened barely steady today, most traders abstaining from transactions. During the session prices slipped to close around the lowest levels of the day.—Havas.

Silver Quotations

London, Jan. 11.

Silver prices continued to show improvement today, with "spot" advancing ¼d. and "forward" 1/16d. compared with yesterday's levels.

	Jan. 10	Jan. 11
London spot	22d.	22 1/4d.
„ forward	21 15/16d.	22 1/4d.
„ gold	168/—	168/—

Cross Rates

Yesterday's Closing

London/New York	U.S.$4.0250	59.627d.
New York/London	3.95	60.7d.

—Reuter.

New York Stocks

Wednesday's Closing Quotations

New York, Jan. 10.

Stock prices on Wall Street today finished with moves of mostly fractions either way. Trading was inactive, although the undertone improved on a flurry of buying and short covering. The recent sharp decrease in short interest doubtless restrained speculation for a rise.

Steels ruled narrow, while aircrafts were supported on advices that Britain plans the purchase of 10,000 planes during the next eighteen months.

Meanwhile, the outlook is more confused by peace talks. Moreover, some operators believe that the loss of American peace time trade will only be partially offset by war purchases.

The turnover today amounted to 600,000 shares.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	150.47	149.35	150.15	+0.31
20 Rails	31.90	31.73	31.85	+0.04
15 Utilit.	26.25	25.94	26.10	+0.05
40 Bonds	—	—	90.39	+0.02
11 Commod.	—	—	62.24	—0.09

	Jan 9	10		Jan 9	10
Adams Exp	8 1/4	8 1/4	Jones & L	*62 1/2	63
Alg Lud	21	21	Kennecott	37 1/2	37 1/8
Alld Stores	8 1/8	8 1/4	Lak F & M	4 1/2	*4 1/2
Allis Chal	39 1/2	39	Libbey O F	51	50 1/2
Alum Ld	98	98	Lockheed	29 1/8	29 1/2
Amer Can	114 1/4	114 1/8	Loews	36	35 1/2
Am Cyan B	33 1/2	33	Mack Trks	27 1/2	27 1/2
Am For Pr	2 1/2	2 1/2	Martin	38 1/8	39
„ $7 pfd	27	27 1/2	McK & R	*17 1/2	*17 1/2
Am G & E	38 1/2	38 1/2	Monsanto	106	106
Am Loco	21 1/2	21 1/2	Mont Ward	53 1/2	53 1/8
Am Metal	23 1/2	23 1/2	Nat Avian	12 1/2	12 1/2
Am Radtr	10 1/8	10 1/8	Nat City B	*29 1/2	*30
Am R Mill	16 1/8	17	Nat Dairy	17	16 1/2
Am Smltg	50 1/2	51	Nat Dist	24 1/2	24 1/2
Am Sug R	19 1/2	20 1/2	Nat Gyp	11 1/2	11 1/2
Am T & T	172 1/2	172 1/2	Nat Lead	20 1/2	20 1/8
Am Tob B	88 1/2	89	Nat P & L	8 1/8	8 1/8
Am Wtrwks	11 1/8	11 1/8	Nat Steel	72	71 1/2
Anaconda	29 1/2	29 1/8	Nat Supply	8 1/8	9
Atchison	24	24	N Y Cent	17 1/8	17 1/8
Auburn	*2 1/2	2 1/8	Nia Hud	5 1/8	5 1/8
Bald Loco	16 1/8	16 1/8	N A Avian	24 1/2	25 1/8
Baltimore	6 1/8	6	N Am Co	23 1/2	23 1/8
Barber	14 1/2	14 1/2	N Pacific	8 1/8	8 1/8
Barns Oil	12 1/8	12 1/8	O I Glass	62 1/8	63 1/4
Bendix	29 1/2	29 1/2	Pac G & E	33 1/8	33 1/8
Beth Steel	79 1/2	79 1/2	Pac Lghtg	*49 1/2	49 1/2
Bliss	14 1/8	14 1/8	Packard	3 1/8	3 1/8
Boeing	23 1/8	23 1/8	Paramount	7 1/8	7 1/8
Borg War	24 1/8	24 1/8	Penn R R	23	23 1/8
Briggs Mfg	21 1/8	21 1/8	Phelps	37 1/8	38
Bkn M Tr	14 1/4	15	Phil Pet	40 1/8	39 1/2
„ $6 pfd	*52	51 1/2	Pitts C & I	*8	*8
Buqd Mfg.	5 1/2	6	P S of N J	41 1/2	41 1/2
Can Pac	5 1/8	5 1/8	Pullman	31 1/2	31
Case J I	71	71 1/2	Pure Oil	8 1/4	9
Celanese	28	28 1/2	Radio	5 1/4	5 1/8
Chase N B	*36 1/2	*36 1/2	Reading	16	15 1/8
Ches & O	41	41 1/8	„ 1st pfd	*25 1/2	*26
Chrysler	87 1/2	88	Rem Arms	*4 1/2	*4 1/8
Clim Mlyb	36 1/8	36 1/8	Rep Avian	5 1/8	5 1/8
Colts	82 1/2	*82	Rep Steel	22 1/2	22 1/2
Col G & E	6 1/2	6 1/8	Rev C & B	*14 1/2	*14
„ 6% pd.	*90	92 1/4	Rey Tob B	40 1/4	40 1/2
Com Credit	47 1/2	47 1/2	Richfield	7 1/8	7 1/8
Com & Sth	1 1/8	1 1/2	Safeway	46 1/4	45 1/2
Cons Edis	31 1/8	31 1/2	Schenley	13	13
Cons Oil	7 1/8	7 1/8	Sears Roeb	84	83 1/8
Cont Can	43 1/4	43 1/4	Shell U Oil	12 1/2	12 1/2
Cont Oil	24	23 1/2	Soc-Vac	12 1/2	12 1/2
Copwld St	15 1/2	15 1/2	Sthrn Pac	14 1/2	14 1/8
Corn Prod	64	64	Sthrn Rly	32 1/2	32 1/2
Curtiss Wr	10	10	Sperry	44	44
„ A	29 1/2	29	Spicer	32 1/4	*32 1/2
Deere & Co	22 1/2	21 1/2	Std Brands	6 1/8	6 1/8
Dist Cpn	19 1/2	19 1/8	Std G & E	2 1/8	2 1/8
Douglas	78 1/4	80 1/8	Std Oil C	25 1/2	25 1/8
Du Pont	182	182 1/8	Std Oil N J	45 1/4	45 1/4
Eag P Lead	11 1/2	*11	Stone & W	12	12 1/8
Eaton Mfg	31 1/2	31 1/2	Studebaker	9 1/8	14 1/8
Elc A Lite	36 1/2	37	Swift Int	31 1/8	31 1/2
Elec B & S	8 1/2	8 1/8	Technicir	15	14 1/8
„ $5 pfd	61 1/2	61	Tex Cpn	45 1/2	45 1/2
„ $6 pfd	70	69 1/2	Tex Gulf	34 1/2	34 1/8
E P & Lt	34 1/4	35 1/2	Transamer	6 1/8	6 1/2
Fisk Rub	14 1/8	14 1/2	Tw Cent E	12 1/2	12 1/8
Flintkote	19 1/2	20	T C P pfd	*24 1/2	*24 1/2
Gen A Tr	56 1/2	56 1/8	Un Carbide	86 1/8	86 1/4
Gen Elec	40	40 1/2	Un Pacific	94 1/2	94 1/2
Gen Motors	54 1/2	54 1/2	Un Aircraft	45 1/8	46
Gen Rly	18 1/2	*18 1/2	Un Air L	15 1/8	15 1/2
Gen T & R	22	22	Un Corpn	2 1/2	2 1/8
Glidden	18 1/8	18 1/8	„$3 pfd	38 1/2	39 1/2
Goodrich	19 1/2	19 1/8	Un Gas	2	*2
„ $5 pfd	66 1/2	65 1/2	Un G Imp	14 1/4	14 1/8
Goodyear	23 1/8	23 1/8	U S Ind Al	24 1/2	25
Gt N I Ore	18	18	U S Rubber	38 1/8	38 1/2
Gt N Rly	25 1/8	26	„ 8% pfd	112	112
Gt W Sugar	27 1/8	*27 1/2	U S Steel	64 1/8	64 1/2
Greyhound	17 1/8	17	Vanadium	32	32 1/2
Herc Pow	89	87 1/2	Walworth	6	6
Homestake	59 1/8	60	War Br Pic	3 1/8	3 1/8
Int Harv	58 1/2	59	West Elec	114	114 1/2
Int Nickel	38 1/8	38	Woodward	23 1/2	23 1/2
Int T & T	4 1/8	4 1/2			
Johns Man	74	*73			

BONDS

Amer. & For.	63 1/2	63 1/4
Baltimore & Ohio	27 1/8	28
Brazil (U.S. of) 8% 1941	18 3/8	18 3/4
„ 6 1/2% 1957	15 1/4	15 1/4
Cities' Serv.	92	91 1/2
Erie R.R. 6s 1967	16 1/4	16 3/8
Int. Tel. & Tel.	45 5/8	45 1/2
New England G & Elec.	71	70 1/2
Republic of Colombia	30 1/2	30 1/2
„ (1926) 6s '61	*30 1/2	*30 3/4
Sthrn. Pacific Co.	49 5/8	49 5/8
Stand. Gas. & Elec.	71 1/2	71 1/4

*—Bid.

Dow-Jones Summary

By Courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Stock prices ruled irregular today, being still under the leadership of low-priced issues. The volume of trading lightened, while Standard Brands listed at 6¾ featured in today's volume. After opening steady, the market fluctuated narrowly and later firmed up until the Dow-Jones Industrial Average crossed the 150.00 resistance level. However, the rise failed to attract buyers, and prices again eased before the close, especially leading issues.

Electricity Output in The United States

New York, Jan. 10.

Production of electricity by the electric and power industry of the United States for the week ended January 6 totalled 2,473,000,000 kilowatt hours, according to the weekly statement of the Edison Electric Institute published today. This indicated a gain of 14.0 per cent. over the corresponding week last year, when the output totalled 2,169,000,000 kilowatt hours.

Electricity output during the previous week totalled 2,404,000,000 kilowatt hours, showing an increase of 13.4 per cent. over the corresponding week of last year.—Reuter.

New York Foreign Exchange Market

New York, Jan. 10.

Sterling on the New York foreign exchange market today reacted, while rates on neutral countries mostly advanced.

Trading, however, continued to be small, with traders chary over getting too deeply involved, in view of the recent intensified aerial warfare, which many believe to be a prelude to broad hostilities.

The cross rate opened at 3.95⅞ and closed at 3.95⅜, compared with yesterday's close of 3.95⅞. The day's high was 3.96⅛ and the low 3.94¾.—Reuter.

U.S. Crude Oil Production

New York, Jan. 10.

The American Petroleum Institute of New York, in its weekly report issued today, estimates that the daily average gross crude oil production for the week ended January 6 totalled 3,584,000 barrels.

This represents a gain 39,000 barrels over the last week, and a gain of 369,000 barrels over the corresponding week last year.

The daily average output for the week ended December 30 was placed at 3,545,000 barrels.—Reuter.

British Commodity Markets

Now Adapted to War Conditions; Initial Price Controls Paved Way for Emergency System

London, By Mail.

THE war now approaches the end of its first quarter and British commodity markets have slowly but steadily adapted themselves to the new conditions. As the majority of prices and markets have been controlled right up from the beginning of the war the change from peace to war conditions did not appear spectacular at the surface although substantial difficulties of organization were encountered, says Henry Heyman in "The New York Times."

In the first eight weeks of the war complants regarding slow and insufficient raw material allocations were frequent. Since the end of October, however, the position has improved and the flow of materials to consumers' works—especially to those working for export—has become more regular. There is still no general priority allocation for government orders. The raw material supply for defense work receives priority treatment only in cases of a genuine shortage of supplies and these are not worth mentioning so far.

So far, controlled commodity prices have not been altered to any great degree. The principle in fixing these prices was to add only the higher costs of shipping and insurance to the last pre-war prices.

Uncontrolled Commodities

Among the uncontrolled commodity markets, cotton provided some fireworks this month. The Liverpool quotation for American middling is now fluctuating around 7.75d a pound, against about 5.50d at the outbreak of war. The low level of public warehouse stocks in this country (443,124 bales at the end of last month, equalling three months' consumption), the shipping difficulties following the United States Neutrality Bill revision and the probability that the current United States crop is likely to remain below the season's requirements provided the chief reasons of the boom. The fact that no government control has been introduced in cotton indicates that the British authorities are not perturbed by the market's movements in recent weeks. In London it is learned that the preparations for the Anglo-United States rubber-cotton barter are making good progress and that the execution of the deal is likely to begin early next year.

Apart from American cotton the British Ministry of Supply is to acquire larger quantities of Egyptian cotton. Recently it agreed to buy 155,000,000 pounds of these fibres provided that the Alexandria price fell bellow that ruling on Nov. 11. This bulk deal followed the conclusion, in recent weeks, of a number of other huge British Government transactions. Among these, the most outstanding are the wool deals with Australia, New Zealand and South Africa; the cocoa deal with British West Africa, the copper deals with Canada and Northern Rhodesia and the lead and zinc transactions with Canada, Australia, Newfoundland and Burma. In wool (except South Africa) and cocoa the entire clips and crops respectively are covered by the arrangements, while in the three metals the transactions refer to tonnages sufficiently large to cover the United Kingdom's total consumption.

Advantages for Both Sides

The first objective of these transactions is, of course, the intention of the British authorities to obtain their war requirements, although the wool transaction covers quantities which are twice as large as the total British requirements, while the cocoa deal is even four times as large as Great Britain's annual consumption. The latter transaction appears especially remarkable as cocoa stocks in the United Kingdom covered about fifteen months' domestic consumption when war started.

In addition to obtaining their supplies, however, the British authorities are able through their Empire purchases to save huge amounts in gold and foreign exchange which are so vitally needed to pay for United States war supplies. In fact by re-exporting part of the excessive wool and cocoa supplies to neutral countries and especially to the United States the British Government is in a position to acquire new amounts of foreign exchange. Moreover, the transactions are based on prices in force before the outbreak of war and are thus much below the present international quotations. This represents genuine savings and enables the British Government to maintain its internal price level for the product concerned stable at a reasonable level.

Profit Incentive Retained

At the same time, however, these prices are high enough to allow reasonable profits to be made by the producers concerned and as the transactions assure to Empire producers safe markets both partners of the agreements have reason to be satisfied with the deals. There is, however, one great disadvantage from the British point of view in these bulk buying arrangements. Whole sections of the regular British commodity trade—like the London wool importing trade—are losing their livelihood as a result of the government deals, although the British Ministry of supply is anxious to use, as far as possible, the regular trade channels in the execution of the transactions. Many of the trade firms concerned will probably not survive the war, a development which may lead to permanent losses in trade to Great Britain after the termination of hostilities.

One direct result of the war has been the complete separation of the London silver market from the international market.

British Diamond Control

Earlier this month the British Board of Trade introduced an order prohibiting the export of diamonds except under license. As London is the international centre for the sale of rough diamonds, this step met with some criticism outside of Great Britain. Actually, however normal business in diamonds has hardly been hit by the licensing order, as the Diamond Trading Company, the selling syndicate, is continuing to work as before and licenses for luxury stones are freely granted.

The obvious aim of the control order has been the prevention of exports of industrial diamonds from Great Britain. Industrial diamonds are, of course, indispensable for armament work (many of the hard amament steel can only be accurately worked with diamond tools and diamond machine tools), and if Great Britain succeeds in preventing supplies from reaching Germany this may have an influence on the efficiency of the German armament industry.

London Stocks

Wednesday's Closing Quotations

London, Jan. 10.

Trading on the London Stock Exchange today was quieter with prices mostly slipping back.

Far Eastern bonds, however, continued to attract buyers, with Chinese rail bonds also particularly favoured by investors.—Reuter.

	Jan. 9	10
War Loan 3 1/2% (Red.)	£96 1/2	96

JAPANESE BONDS

Japan 5% Stg. Loan 1907	55 1/2	56 1/2
Japan 6% Stg. Loan 1924	61 1/2	59 1/2

Osaka, Jan. 11.

Kogo 5%	Y.105.83

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL

Allied Ironfounders	14/3	14/3
Armstrong Stevens	6/-	6/-
Assoc. & Elec. Indus.	37/10 1/2	38/1 1/2
Austin Motors, ord.	16/6	16/6
Bristol Aeroplane	15/6	15/-
British American Tob.	97/6	97/6
Cable & W., new form	57	57
Cammell Laird, ord.	8/3	7/10 1/2
Courtaulds	37/6	37/3
Distillers	67/10 1/2	67/-
Dunlop Rubber	30/-	29/9
General Elec. (Eng.)	74/7 1/2	74/10 1/2
Guinness (A) Son & Co.	81/-	79/6
Hawker Siddeley Aircraft	15/-	15/-
Imp. Chem. Indus.	30/3	30/1 1/2
Imp. Tobacco	117/6	117/6
Leyland Motors	79/4 1/2	77/6
Marks & Spencer "A" ord.	52/6	52/3
Pressed Steel, com.	15/6	15/6
Rolls-Royce	91/3	91/10 1/2
Smethwick Drop Forgings	13/6	13/6
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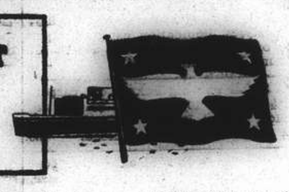

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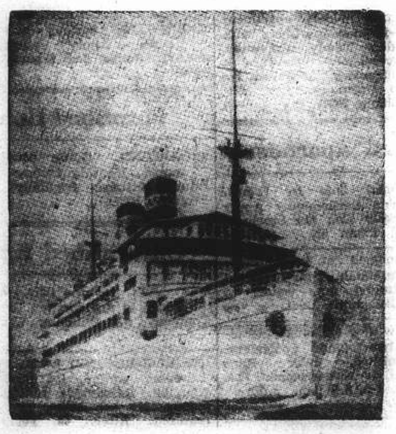

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VESSELS ARRIVING TO-DAY

The following particulars in connection with vessels due to arrive to-day are based upon information available yesterday evening.

From NEW YORK: Vigrid, due 10 a.m. Old Ningpo Wharf.

DUE AT FUTURE DATES

All vessels are listed under their terminal part. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai. Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited.

On account of the present international situation there is considerable interference with movements of ships, especially those from Europe. In cases where it is definitely known that the vessel is not running to schedule the Shanghai arrival date is omitted.

EUROPE AND STRAITS

From LISBON			From SOERABAYA		
Torrens	10/12	30/1	Tjinegara	29/12	15/1
From TRIESTE			Tjibadak	12/1	29/1
Fusijama	21/11	15/1	From MANILA		
C. Verde	21/12	17/1	H. Maersk	8/1	14/1
Himalaya	21/12	7/2	P. Coolidge	10/1	15/1
From KARACHI			From HONGKONG		
Sumatra	27/12	20/1	See "China Ports" below		
From SINGAPORE					
Fusijama	1/1	15/1			
C. Verde	9/1	17/1			

AMERICA AND JAPAN

From NEW YORK			From SEATTLE		
L. Maersk	25/11	13/1	Collingsworth	6/1	31/1
A. Maersk	9/12	24/1	From PORTLAND		
Mokihana	—	10/2	Agra	23/12	28/1
Sophocles	24/12	14/2	From HONOLULU		
Sorholt	30/12	21/2	Asama M.	9/1	10/2
Laura Maersk	10/1	25/2	From KOBE		
From PANAMA			L. Maersk	7/1	13/1
Sophocles	4/1	14/2	From NAGASAKI		
From LOS ANGELES			Nagasaki M.	14/1	15/1
A. Maersk	30/12	24/1	From KEELUNG		
Asama M.	1/1	10/2	Tyosa M.	16/1	18/1

AFRICA AND AUSTRALIA

From CAPETOWN			From MOMBASA		
Tegelberg	15/12	22/1	Tegelberg	2/1	22/1

CHINA PORTS

From DAIREN			From HONGKONG		
Tsingtao M.	12/1	14/1	H. Maersk	11/1	14/1
			Tjinegara	10/1	15/1

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For JAVA		Nagasaki Maru	12/1
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WEATHER, TIME AND TIDE

Friday, January 12, 1940 (4th day of 12th moon)	SICCAWEI Jan. 10 16.00	21.00	Jan. 11 4.00	9.00
Barometer inches	30.46	30.45	30.32	30.30
at 32° F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	+0.08	—0.01	—0.19	—0.26
at 32° F. (.. 12 hrs.)	—0.05	—0.11	—0.14	—0.15
Wind (direction)	NE	ENE	E	SE
,, (miles per hour)	6.8	6.2	8.1	7.4
Temperature (Fahr.)	43.9°	35.8°	39.6°	45.7°
Humidity %	61	85	88	96
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	1	0	10	10
Rainfall inches	—	—	—	—

Siccawei Abridged Report January 10	Mean 1940	24 hrs. variation	67 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	30.50	+0.14	30.33
Temp. Min. 39.°9 Max. 49.°6	44.°8	—0.°7	38.°5
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	0.00	0.00	0.46

Time and Tide	12/1	13/1	14/1	15/1	16/1
Sun rises at Shanghai	6.54	6.54	6.54	6.55	6.54
Sun sets at Shanghai	17.10	17.11	17.12	17.13	17.14
Moon rises at Shanghai	8.16	8.51	9.24	9.57	10.29
Moon sets at Shanghai	19.46	20.39	21.31	22.23	23.16
Flood makes Shai. 6 to 18	11.54	12.45	13.29	14.00	14.42
Ebb. makes Shai. 6 to 18	17.10	17.49	5.46	6.32	7.07
H.W. W'sung Bar 6 to 18	13.45	14.26	14.59	15.30	16.10
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Koryo M.	Tsurumi	Showa S.S.
Tonjer	C'wangtao	K.M.A.
Katie Moller	C'wangtao	K.M.A.
Chingning M.	Tsungming	T.K.K.
Nagasaki M.	Japan	T.K.K.
Myogi M.	Japan	T.K.K.
Hoten M.	Dairen	D.K.K.
Kiangnan	T'lungkong	Chu Foong
Hsingtung M.	River Ports	T.K.K.
Chekiang M.	Tsungming	T.K.K.
Taiko M. 8	—	T.K.K.
Romolo	Liuho Point	V. Chieri
Luise	Haimen	G.M.C.

Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Despatcher
Romolo	Ital.	V. Chieri
Chekiang M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
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Misaki M.	Jap.	Showa S.S.
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Men-of-War in Port

Name	Flag	Type	Berthed
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In the Russian Colony

By "Strov"

Returned from long leave in Europe, Dr. N. N. Kuznetsoff gave some of his impressions to the Russian press. Dr. Kuznetsoff met Russians in Italy: there are more than two hundred emigres living in Rome, and a hundred in Florence, among them the well-known journalist B. A. Suvorin, at one time working for newspapers in Shanghai and Harbin. Mr. Suvorin asked the doctor to give his best regards to friends in Shanghai, adding that the five years he spent in this city form the happiest memory of his life in emigration. There are only three Orthodox priests in Italy. In Barri, the resting place of the revered remains of St. Nicholas the Miracle-Worker, Father Andrei told Dr. Kuznetsoff that the income of funds for the church has stopped completely.

Previously church matters were attended to by Prince Zhevakhov, former Vice Chief Procurator of the Holy Synod in St. Petersburg. In Rome there are no special premises for the church, and it is housed in a building donated by a Russian lady who for many years has lived in the Eternal City. Russians enjoy a free life in Italy, as the authorities have a sympathetic understanding of their position. In Yugoslavia there are at present only 25,000 Russians.

About twenty years ago Russians took part in the construction of new buildings and the laying of new roads, but at present the demand for Russian labour has decreased. Near Belgrade, in Panchevo, there is a large Russian hospital headed by Dr. V. A. Levitsky. Among the staff of this hospital, great popularity is enjoyed by the brilliant Russian surgeon, Dr. V. N. Novikoff.

Russian Charitable Home

The Russian Charitable Home has celebrated the tenth year of its existence. On this day its spacious premises were filled with guests. Bishop John and Bishop Juvenalius conducted services in which other members of the clergy took part. In his speech, Bishop John stated that the Charitable Home is at present one of the best charitable institutions in the colony, and does tremendous work in aiding those who are prevented by age or sickness from earning their own livelihood. The initiative for founding the Home belonged to two Russian businessmen: Mr. V. S. Tsepkin and Mr. N. A. Vansonovitch. Following the serving of tea, Mr. Tsepkin gave a short report of the activities of the Home during the ten years of its existence. Baroness Guene, the Honorary Treasurer, gave an account of the receipts and expenditures of the Charitable Home. Many leaders of the colony, headed by Mr. Charles Metzler, were present at the reception.

With the exception of America, Shanghai, after the outbreak of war in Europe, remained the only city in the world publishing books in the Russian language. In spite of the rise in the cost of paper, books on all branches of science and literature continue to be printed—this in addition to the four daily newspapers and the weekly magazines also being published in the Russian colony. The monthly magazine, "Russian Annals," has been the only casualty claimed by the war in Europe.

X'mas in the Colony

Russian Christmas in the colony was celebrated according to tradition. Special services were held in the churches on Christmas Eve. Christmas Day was spent by most at home, especially in homes with children, as Russians count Christmas primarily a holiday for children. Prior to the appearance of the Star of Bethlehem, the first large star to appear in the heavens on Christmas Eve, no one conserving orthodox customs touched food. Then Christmas trees were lighted for the second time, as many Russian children are educated in foreign schools, and in such homes foreign Christmas is celebrated as well as the Russian one. On Christmas Eve it is customary to put hay under the tablecloth. Special dishes like kutia and uzvar are served. But there was a dearth of wheat this year, poppy seeds were also very hard to procure, so that it is improbable that these traditional dishes were prepared according to the real recipe. But repasts were plentiful, and where there was no Christmas goose, the hostess offered excellent duck, fried with apples. On the first day of Christmas some children went on their koliadka—paid visits to houses and sang Christmas Carols in Russian fashion. Those who received their presents on the foreign Christmas found nothing in their stockings on Christmas according to the Russian calendar, but to some Grandfather Frost, the Russian equivalent of Father Christmas, gave something on their holiday as well. On the first day the Russian Club held a reception at which mutual congratulations were tendered by members and representatives of the colony, and to which members' families and guests were invited.

Poor Not Forgotten

Donations towards Christmas festivities were generous. The Emigrants' Committee gave $500 to various organizations for Christmas trees and presents. The Charitable Home, the Refuge for Aged Men, the Refuge for Aged Women, the St. Tichon Zadonsky Orphanage, the St. Olga's Orphanage, the Union of Russian World War Invalids—all these and other charitable organizations received generous donations from many parties. Mr. S. I. Osipoff donated $120. Mr. G. Kirlian gave $250. There were many other donations so that the colony's orphaned and poor did not feel themselves forgotten this year. In all orphanages and schools Christmas parties were held on the first and second days of Christmas. The Russian Club held a party in conjunction with the Russian Women's League. On January 8 the school founded in the name of Pirogov held a party in conjuction with the Sokol club. Mmes. Metzler, Lembich, Jaspar, Altadukova, Sarmanova and Bebikova organized a party in the St. Olga's Orphanage. The St. Tichon Zadonsky Orphanage threw a party on January 9, its Christmas tree being donated by the Palace Hotel. On January 10 parties were held in the St. Andrew's school, in the Russian Commercial School and in the First Russian School. On January 13 a Christmas party will be held in the preinises of the Cossacks' Union. On January 8 a Christmas party—complete with Christmas tree, of course, —was thrown even for adults at "Sokol beginning at 10 o'clock in the evening and provided with music by the "concert department." Generally speaking, the above shows how merrily and diversely Russians celebrated their Christmas this year.

An Artiste's Recollections

New to Shanghai, Mme. Alexandra Labunskaya, who will appear on the local Russian stage for the first time in the operetta "The Charitable Sinner," gave an entertaining interview to the Russian press in which she recalled gay days of her theatrical career in Russia and Europe. She spoke with special nostalgia of her experiences in a rather Bohemian hotel in Knarkov, already in the days of the Bolsheviks, where such stellar celebrities as Vavich, Muratov, Tamara Pavlova and Vertinsky shared the sme roof—with, sometimes, rather eccentric results. The customs and manners in this artistic hotel were, in spite of the hard times, of an extremely spontaneous nature. Someone decided to play a practical joke on a confrere and this started a whole cycle of practical jokes which provided gossip to the whole town and may yet go down in books of some artiste's memoirs.

"I remember," she said, "how, taking opportunity during the absence from the hotel of one colleague, we arranged the furniture of his room so thoroughly that when he returned and entered his room he thought he had penetrated into the boudoir of the ballerina, and backed out muttering embarassed apologies."

Another was the victim of a more malicious practical joke. When he was wringing his soul dry in some particularly tragic scene on the stage, his waggish friends unscrewed the lamp in his room from its socket and perched a number of geese and chicken on strategic spots like tables and mantelpieces. When, late at night, the actor returned to his room spiritually exhausted from his tear-jerking acting, and completely unsuspicious of the havoc wrought in his absence, he opened his door and turned the switch. The light did not open. Instead, alarmed by the noise and the light in the corridor, the feathered denizens bestirred themselves, and launched an attack on the stunned, miserable and frightened actor, hissing and clucking in unison and biting at his legs.

Mme. L. Labuskaya also spoke of her tours of the south of Russia, which took her to such cities as Kiev and Odessa. Incidentally, it was in Kharkov that she first met the popular local operetta star L. I. Rozen. She met him time and again after that in Russia, in Berlin and in Riga.

In an interview with the Russian press, Dr. D. I. Kazakoff, for 17 years the head of the Orthodox Confraternity, painted a picture of health conditions in the colony. He said that in the matter of health, the Russian colony is worse off than any other foreign community in the city. The reason for this is simply money. Thus Russians eat worse than others, and live in worse conditions. They are denied the opportunity of leaving the city on long leaves to recuperate their failing health. During its 17 years of existence, the Confraternity hospital has registered more than 130,000 ambulance calls. The number of sick has been no less than 50,000. There are much more cases of serious illness among Russians here than among foreigners of any other nationality. Tuberculosis is the chief ill that Russians seem heir to, second coming abdominal typhus, and third various stomach diseases. Then come a number of forms of cancer. A large percentage is formed by mental diseases. A unique feature is that Russian women are worse off in health than Russian men.

Air Marshal Barratt Assumes New Command

Development Welcomed by R.A.F. in France

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 10.

Air Marshal A. S. Barratt, Commander of the unified British Air Force in France, arrived by air today at the headquarters of the Air Force from a place where he had been stationed since the start of the war as Senior Air Liaison Officer with the French Air Forces.

Air Chief Marshal Sir Edgar R. Ludlow-Hewitt, Commander-in-Chief of the Bomber Command in Great Britain, flew from England to meet him.

Mr. Marshal Barratt will be answerable immediately to Air Chief Marshal Sir Cyril L. N. Newall, Chief of the Air Staff, as leader of Great Britain's air effort in France against the Nazis.

All ranks of the British Air Forces welcome the new development, which is a sequel to the evergrowing strength of Britain's air arm in France, says Reuter's Special Correspondent with the R.A.F. in France.

Unity of control, it is pointed out here, is considered an advantage, as all available air forces can be used in the best way according to the course of events.

There is no question of the British Expeditionary Force receiving any less support from the air, and in practice the excellent co-operation between the Army and Air Force will be unaffected.

It may be emphasized that Air Marshal Barratt will not only work in the closest collaboration, but will have responsibility of equal importance for the successful prosecution of the war on the Western Front, Reuter's Correspondent concludes.—Reuter.

Australian Minister to Japan Rumoured

Sydney, Jan. 11.

Judge John G. Latham, Presiding Judge of the Supreme Court, was being mentioned by the press here as the probable appointee to the position of the first Australian Minister to Japan.

His appointment was reported to have been decided upon by the Australian Government. The appointment was expected to be announced before Easter.—Domei.

50 Injured When Lift Crashes

London, Jan. 10.

Fifty people were injured today when a lift in the Birkenhead railway station broke its cable and crashed to the ground floor.—Havas.

Bill to Abolish Lynching Passed

Negro Representative Opposes Measure; Rights Of U.S. Govt. Questioned

Washington, Jan. 10.

The Bill which aims to abolish lynching altogether in the United States was passed by the House of Representatives this afternoon and immediately was forwarded to the Senate for its vote of confirmation.

Subject of heated debates in Congress during many a stormy session, the Anti-Lynch Bill entered its final stages this afternoon.

Concluding debates in the House today were featured by the address of the only Negro Congressman in the United States, Democrat Arthur W. Mitchell of Illinois, who opposed passage of the Bill.

Criticizing solid Republican sponsorship of the project, Congressman Mitchell asserted:

Negro Opposition

"The Republicans have made promises for 75 years now and today are discredited in the eyes of the Negro people."

According to the terms of the project, local authorities in the various states will be held responsible for any lynchings in their areas of jurisdiction and will have to pay indemnities to families of the victims of such mob rule.

The House specified before voting on the Bill, however, that it does not apply to cases of violence arising out of labour strife during strikes.

Ultimate aim of the Bill is to compel authorities throughout the U.S. to take drastic measures against lynching.

During the many debates on this project, feelings frequently ran high among Congressmen hailing from the southern states, where most cases of lynching have occurred. One of the obstacles placed in the way of the Bill was the problem of its constitutionality.

Southern Congressmen contested the right of the Federal Government to intervene in their states. Other Congressmen accused the Republican sponsors of engaging in a manoeuvre "to buy Negro votes."

It was pointed out also that lynchings in recent years have declined steeply. Whereas statistics reveal 231 cases of mob violence in 1922, there were only 20 in 1935, eight in 1937, three in 1938 and two last year.—Havas.

6,000 Tons of Goods for Germany Detained

New Contraband Control System Working

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 11.

Six thousand two hundred tons of contraband destined for Germany were detained during the week ending January 6, it was learned today.

This brings the total of contraband detained since the war began to 544,000 tons.

It is officially announced that in the week ending January 6, the system by which advance copies of cargo manifests received consideration before the ship's arrival resulted in 43 cases being so dealt with by the Contraband Committee.

In 31 cases, the ships concerned were released, subject to formal checking of the original manifests on arrival at control bases.—Reuter.

Mr. A. Tajiri Goes to Gaimusho Post

Other Changes Announced In Japanese Service

Tokyo, Jan. 11.

Mr. Akiyoshi Tajiri, First Secretary of the Japanese Embassy in China, was appointed Chief of the First Section of the Bureau of East Asiatic Affairs of the Foreign Office, it was announced today by the Foreign Office.

Mr. Suemitsu Kadowaki, Second Secretary of the Japanese Embassy and concurrently Japanese Consul in China, was appointed Chief of the Second Section of the Bureau of East Asiatic Affairs of the Ministry.

Mr. Arata Sugihara, Secretary of the Foreign Office, was appointed First Secretary of the Japanese Embassy in China.

Second Lieutenant Hisanari Yamada, Secretary of the Asia Development Board, was appointed Second Secretary of the Japanese Embassy in China, to hold the two posts concurrently.—Domei.

Ultimatum to French Communists Proposed

Deputies Must Repudiate Old Affiliations

Paris, Jan. 10.

A Bill providing for abrogation of the Parliamentary mandates of all former Communist Deputies who have not repudiated their old time affiliations will be tabled before the Chamber Executive Committee tomorrow by Vice-Premier Camille Chautemps.

M. Chautemps probably will demand immediate discussion of his project which, if adopted, would leave the former Communists eight days either to repudiate Communist attachments or else leave the Chamber.

One former Communist Deputy, Sulpice Dewez, meanwhile announced today that he would go to his constituency shortly to inform his electors of his determination to defend France and, at the same time, continue defence of the working classes on democratic grounds.

Mobilized since September 1, he pointed out, he was compelled by military discipline to keep his silence on political affairs. Today, however, he announced himself free to protest against the policy that abutted in the Red attack on Finland and the menace to French liberty.—Havas.

Canada May Acquire American Ships

New York, Jan. 11.

Two members of the Canadian Shipping Board have arrived from Ottawa to discuss the possibility of acquiring American ships for the transport of Canadian goods.—Reuter.

Positions Vacant

Do not enclose original testimonials when replying to advertisements. Copies answer the same purpose.

WANTED in Hongkong dispensing chemist, holding British diploma. Start HK$250. One year contract. Apply Box 293, NCDN. -606

WANTED energetic salesman to push wines, liquors. Excellent prospects for right man. Address Box 287, NCDN. -609

INTELLIGENT (Chinese) stenotypist girl, two evenings weekly. Apply own handwriting, Chinese Post Office Box 1694. -637

WELL - EXPERIENCED children's nurse required for one year old girl. Only those fully qualified need apply. Box 296, NCDN. 10211

WANTED Chinese salesman with previous experience for the sale of cotton sewing yarn. Wolfenstein, 917 Avenue Joffre. -632

WANTED Chinese godown-keeper with experience, for small foreign factory. Must furnish guarantee $2,000 cash or proper security. State previous jobs held and salary expected. Address Box 294, NCDN. -611

WANTED, foreign/Chinese saleslades for retail shop. Experienced and hardworking. Apply 10-12 noon, 725 Bubbling Well Road. 10208

WANTED, Chinese acquainted with accountancy and general office work, also capable handling commercial correspondence. State experience and salary. Only hardworker need apply Box 307, NCDN. 10209

FOREIGN governess for French family in North China. Please apply Palace Hotel Office, 9-11 a.m.

QUALIFY yourself for better office position. The Shanghai Business College gives expert tuition in Pitman's shorthand, touch typewriting, English, bookkeeping and accountancy. Quickest and easiest method to guide you to success. Many qualified have been placed in suitable positions. Day and evening classes. Fees moderate. Call or write for particulars. 320 Szechuen Road. Telephone 17733. 18178

WANTED Chinese typist. Apply in person to Transmarina Trading Co. 405 Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Bldg. between 4.30—5.30 p.m. 10195

GENTLEMAN or lady canvassers wanted for monthly magazine on commission basis, including salary for suitable party. Address Box 224, NCDN. -462

STENOTYPIST with knowledge of French. State particulars and salary expected. Address Box 245, NCDN. 10179

STENO-typist required immediately for permanent position. Accurate knowledge of English language essential. Knowledge of bookkeeping desirable. Replies in own handwriting must state age, nationality, experience, salary required. Box 240, NCDN. -507

SPEAKER of British nationality wanted for local radio-station, 9 p.m. to 12, six days a week (side job). Knowledge of French an asset. Telephone 74448, 10 a.m.-12. -493

Positions Wanted

Advertisements under this heading only are accepted at the rate of five dollar cents per word per insertion, with a minimum charge of $0.80.

WELL-EDUCATED, accurate young Chinese lady typist for part time from 9-12 a.m. Address Box 292, NCDN. -605

PORTUGUESE youth seeks position in any capacity, knowledge of bookkeeping and stenography. Address Box 280, NCDN. -591

BRITISH Eurasian girl, 18 years old, direct from convent, wishes employment nurse-maid in British/American family. Clean, honest, accustomed to children, well-recommended. Reply Box 288, NCDN. -604

YOUNG Cantonese girl, proficient in reading, writing and speaking English, seeks position as typist and general office work. Salary no object. Address 397 Route Tenant de la Tour. -579

EXPERIENCED, middle-aged Russian lady, seeks position as housekeeper or care of children. Outport no objection. Box 285, NCDN. -599

RELIABLE male stenographer (British), eight years' experience, available immediately. Efficient all-round office man. A1 references. Salary $225. Box 310, NCDN. -640

PORTUGUESE, 16, beginner, seeks position as bookkeeper office assistant. Good knowledge of stenography. Box 301, NCDN. -627

THOROUGH training in shorthand, typewriting, etc. by experienced British tutors at Farmer's Commercial College. Moderate fees, spacious class rooms. 264 Kiangse Road, Telephone 14967. -8959

YOUNG lady typist, telephone-operator, speaks good Chinese, desires extra work after office. Box 272, NCDN. -563

ITALIAN lady, practical experienced nurse, wishes a position as governess, lady's maid or housekeeper. Address Box 269, NCDN. -557

LADY stenographer-secretary urgently seeks employment after office hours. Box 259, NCDN. -831

YOUNG Briton, 27, highly educated, first-class references, seeks any respectable position, Shanghai or elsewhere. Personal interview requested. Apply Box 265, NCDN. -544

CAPABLE, efficient secretary stenographer, seeks work after office hours. Address Box 244, NCDN. -513

Business Opportunities

CLAIMS and debts attended to on commission basis. Clarkes Agency, 88 Nanking Road, Telephone 10092. 10013

TRADE enquiries, financial status reports, insurance (all classes). Clarkes Agency, 88 Nanking Road, Telephone 10092. 10011

ARMOURED cars with armed foreign guards, for transporting treasure. Clarkes Agency, 86 Nanking Road. Telephone 10092. 10013

Lost

LOST on January 11, about 1 p.m. three scrips shares, near Shanghai Stock Exchange. Will finder please telephone 17147. Reward. 10216

SAVINGS Bank Passbook No. 1274 issued by the Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China, Shanghai, in the name of Kartar Singh has been lost and is hereby declared cancelled. 10189

For Sale—Miscellaneous

AMERICAN shoes, men's, high quality, all styles, liquidation cargo, $30 per pair, only one-third of the cost. 131 Museum Road, Room 228. -555

FOR SALE two big Peking old carpets 7½ x 10½, 10½ x 15½. $5 per sq. ft. Hou Chang House, 1465 Bubbling Well Road, near Hardoon Road. -610

BRAND-new lady's black velvet coat with silver-fox collar, small size, cost $550, will accept $290. Telephone 19894. -639

TYPEWRITER, Corona, portable. Like new, in A1 condition. Sacrifice US$20 for sale. Address Box 304, NCDN. -633

FOR SALE, gentleman's fur-coat, mink, good condition, $400; one brand-new Singer motor, alternating current, complete with starter, $150 or nearest offer. Box 303, NCDN. -630

FOR SALE, privately, at low price, folding sewing-machine, Kayser; crystalware, porcelain. Flatow, 252/36 Wayside. -624

ORGAN, trade mark "Manborg," 19 stops, excellent tone, faultless condition. Alfred Sachs, 783/38 Point Road. -623

ENGLISH billiard table, 6ft x 12ft, excellent condition. Address inquiries to Box 312, NCDN. 10210

AVAILABLE for immediate delivery in Shanghai district, 688 h.p. induction synchronous motor, three phase, 50 cycles, 3,000 volts, 300 rpm. Apply H. J. Moysey & Co., Ltd., 452 Kiangse Road. 10101

STAMPS. Our old and world wide connections give us opportunity in this difficult time to offer stamp collectors all new issues as soon as available. Many new and regular arrivals. Mercury Stamp Co., 1237 Avenue Road. -123

STAMPS: British Colonies, Japan, China, Siam, Macao, Indochina, Mongolia, Manchukuo, Foreign Offices China. Low prices Post Office Box 1168. -546

SITTING, dining, bedroom furniture and white bedroom suite for small girl. 102 Marcel Tillot, 99 Bearn Apartments, Telephone 87732. -554

PERSIAN rugs. Three pieces, first-class quality, for sale. Address Box 251, NCDN. -522

BEAUTIFUL crystalware, dinner-sets, porcelain figures, oil-paintings, ivory miniatures. 421 Avenue Roi Albert, Apartment 5. -520

CROWN Hosiery. Just received large assortment of crepe-chiffon and service-weight stocking. 239 Cardinal Mercier. 10183

UNDERWOOD portable typewriter for sale. Standard four keyboard; like new. Bargain. Telephone 34890. -502

FOR SALE, violin "Virtuoso," perfect tune, $1,000. Apply at the Office New Royal Hotel, Telephone 21933. -472

ALL woollen travelling rugs for sale in assorted designs at $25 each cash. Quantity discounts by arrangement. H. C. Dixon & Son, Ltd. Lane 126/10 Szechuen Road. 10171

LOVERS of most beautiful oil pictures, please visit first 12 Rue du Consulat, Apartment 501, Telephone 87801. -189

NICEST porcelain and all other kinds of European arts, obtainable only at 12 Rue du Consulat, Apartment 501. -188

SECONDHAND furniture store. Buying and selling, new and secondhand furniture, household effects, cut-glass, carpets, etc. Feiner, 306 Rue Bourgeat, Telephone 73597. -19

SHIRTS correctly made to measure, English poplins and pure silk from $14.50. Razon's, 12 Central Road. 13186

STRING bags 60 cts., colored towels 55 cts; laundry bags $2.30; mahjong cloth $2.20. Lace & Linen Syndicate, 114 Peking Road. 10143

Furnished Apartments

FOR immediate occupation, one-roomed, completely furnished flat, bathroom, kitchen. Apply 9 Sun Avenue, Bubbling Well. -574

TO LET in first-class house, four well-furnished rooms, two bathrooms, kitchen, garage and garden. Address Box 295, NCDN. -614

IMMEDIATE occupation, two-roomed furnished flat, bath, kitchen, verandah. Rent for four months in advance. 141/2 Seymour Road. -615

BUBBLING Well, three-roomed suite in first-class modern apartment, bright, nicely furnished, big verandah, kitchen, pantry, frigidaire, six months/more. Rent, telephone, light, US$90. Now available to responsible party. Address Box 217, NCDN. -452

ONE, three, four-roomed apartments, houses and flats. European Traders Co., 367 Kiangse Road, Telephone 11667. -471

CENTRAL district, modern apartment building, 2½-roomed apartment with large roof-garden. Newly furnished, all modern conveniences. Furniture to be taken over at reasonable price. No key-money, no agencies. Box 239, NCDN, or telephone 38877. -506

Unfurnished Apartments

TWO/three-roomed flats in French Concession and Settlement. Apply to Shanghai Realty Co., 110 Szechuen Road, 5th floor, Room 52. -324

TO LET, two-roomed flat, bath attached, south verandah, near Jessfield Park, $65 including tax, water, to Chinese only. Telephone 22941. -588

ADVERTISER wishes exchange attractive, cosy, two-roomed apartment, furnished/unfurnished, near Race Course, for one or three-roomed flat. Telephone 61082, 1-2, 8-9 p.m. Address Box 302, NCDN. -629

BEAUTIFUL, unfurnished, two-roomed flat, kitchen, bathroom, to let, no key-money. Only foreigner need apply. 600 Avenue Haig, House 15. -485

FLAT, two rooms, bathroom, in garden residence. Telephone 71194. -600

Miscellaneous

WANTED. Is there a qualified chiropractor practising in Shanghai? Palmer School preferred. Reply Box 248, NCDN. -518

Office Cars

LIFT available. Vicinity Hart/Avenue Roads to Bund, via French Concession. Three times daily. Reasonable rate. Address Box 289, NCDN. 10200

THREE seats available, Dubail/Lafayette to Bund/Jinkee, thrice daily, usual hours, $20 monthly. Reply Box 227, NCDN. -469

Educational

PORTUGUESE lessons wanted. Preferably Brazilian. Otto Lehmann, 1090 Pingliang Road. -597

GENTLEMAN wishes English conversation with English or American gentleman or lady against French conversation. Address Box 286, NCDN. -601

ENGLISH, French, Italian, Spanish, German by experienced teacher. Best references. Moderate fees. Address Box 284, NCDN. -595

SPANISH lessons, experienced teacher, $15 per month twice weekly. Address Box 299, NCDN. -620

FRENCH by qualified gentleman teacher, special method for beginners, speaking, writing within short period. Box 231, NCDN. -490

HANDWRITING lessons especially for Chinese who know the English language; also for beginners, given by expert. Box 235, NCDN. -496

EDUCATED Chinese young lady gives lessons of Shanghai dialect. Please reply Box 241, NCDN. -508

HANS Baer, concert-pianist, gives piano lessons, theory, harmony 153H/38 Route des Sœurs. Telephone 75880 (3-5). -10

LESSONS in practical Ioga-treatment of chronic, functional disorders and paralysis. L. V. Grosse (neutral), 651 Weihaiwei Road, Telephone 35133. -429

NEWLY-arrived foreign lady desires an American or English lady companion, well-educated, conscientious and preferably an experienced teacher, for daily English conversation. Hours 10-5 p.m. Please address Box 237, NCDN. -503

FOREIGN "Y" French beginners, intermediate, advanced classes starting Monday, January 8. Private work also arranged. Apply Educational Office, Telephone 92250. -481

WELL-educated Chinese lady gives Chinese lessons, $15 per month, twice weekly. Telephone 77190. -119

YMCA radio courses. Radio-technical class commencing January 15. Apply Foreign YMCA Educational Department. Telephone 92250. -311

To Advertisers

The following replies are being held at this office, and the owners of the undermentioned Box numbers are requested to call for same before January 20, after which date they will be destroyed. Nos. 5323, 5340, 5344, 5353, 5366, 5372, 5375, 5376, 5420, 5423, 5430, 5435, 5463, 5500, 5504, 5512, 5552, 5609, 5617, 5622, 5636.

Radios

WE offer cash for used radios and radiograms. Address Box 246, NCDN. or telephone 38488, 12-2 p.m. -407

QUALITY radio service. RCA equipped and personnelled. Radio Corporation of Asia, 361-3 Avenue Foch. Telephone 87777. -404

W. KORBUT radio engineer, radios repaired on the spot promptly, efficiently. Telephone 36559. -65

FOR radio repairs call International Radio Service, foreign workmanship. 9 Cardinal Mercier, Telephone 75897. -2553

RELIABLE repairs. All make radios. Foreign engineers. 1940 models, RCA Victor, Zenith, stocked. Universal Radio Co., Authorized R. C. A. Service Station, Telephone 19225, 232 Nanking Road. 10018

Houses and Land

FOR SALE or rent, two newly-built houses (area, over 4 fen each), passage 27 Rue Corneille. Price $48,000 and $52,000. Rent $400 monthly (key money $5.000). Inquire on premises or apply to Kwan, Chu & Yang, Architects, 113 Kiukiang Road. -596

SALE or rent. Bungalow on two mow leased land, corner Great Western and Keswick. Yuen, 230 Kweichow Road, Telephone 94335. -588

LAND for sale, 0.220 mow, 0.500 mow, 1.600 mow, Avenue Petain. Apply to C. Madar & Co., 259 Kiangse Road. -570

WANTED to buy, house of 8/10 mainrooms with garden, garage and servants' quarters, in western district, Address Box 258, NCDN. -529

FOR SALE, small attractive garden lot on Macleod Road, adjoining Municipal Park (Hungjao). Number on gate 117. Title deed area, mow 1.3.4.1. Apply Algar & Co., Ltd. Telephone 12877. 10170

WANTED to buy about three mows of land in French Concession. Address Box 165, NCDN. -316

FOR SALE, various land lots and houses. Apply Agency Korlin, 146A/1, Route des Sœurs, Telephone 78499. -11

Furnished Houses

BOARDING. Going concern. Nine rooms. Monthly income $800. Furniture, fittings, frigidaire. US$1,200. Box 283, NCDN. -594

Unfurnished Houses

TO LET: rooms, flats, apartments, houses in any district, Pacific Stamp Company, 879 Bubbling Well Road. -552

TWELVE-ROOMED house, three bathrooms, garden, for immediate occupation. Reasonable rental and key-money. No sub-letting and guarantor required. Apply 49 Temple Lane, Bubbling Well Road. -498

NEWLY decorated house, three baths, four bedrooms, large sitting-dining room. Garden, garage. Carpets, curtains, electric fittings, etc., $4,000. Rent $350. Furniture optional. Box 218, NCDN. -453

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FOR SALE, Australian pony, name Roy, 14/3, to be seen at Ascot Riding School. For trial telephone 15615 during office hours or address Box 290, NCDN. 10201

PONY insurance is obtainable on moderate terms from Hugh Middleton & Co. (Insurance), Ltd. 45 Kiukiang Road, Telephone 16595. 10212

FOR SALE. Wire fox-terrier pup, male, with pedigree. See from 2.30 to 6 p.m. 838C Cathay Flats. -581

AT stud thoroughbred Scottie, approved bitches only. Fee or choice of puppies. Apply G. Welsch, 818/51 Tongshan Road. -498

Motor Cars and Cycles

FOR SALE, B. S. A. motor-cycle, A1 condition, overhauled last month. Can be seen Sunday morning, 20 Seymour Road, House 12. Must sell $500 or nearest offer. -385

BRAND new 1939 Ford Mercury 8, four-door sedan, used only 2,000 kms. A1 condition, price US$1,150. Address Box 278, NCDN. -580

WANTED, second-hand coupe or sedan in good condition. No fancy price. Give particulars to Box 309, NCDN. -639

1934 Morris Oxford, six-cylinder saloon, for sale. Address Box 305, NCDN. -634

FOREIGNER wishes to sell Ford 1937, V8 four-door saloon, five brand-new Firestone tyres, new battery, condition as new. For details telephone 15633 or address Box 271, NCDN. Price US$750. -635

1937 FORD-85-De Luxe, cash sale or willing trade with slight cash balance, for 1936 Pontiac, Oldsmobile. What offers? Address Box 270, NCDN. 10189

WANTED reliable four-seater, second-hand car. Address Box 262, NCDN. -538

FOR SALE late 1939 "Mercury" new car, reasonable price. Telephone 37421 or Box 140, NCDN. -293

WE have in stock a complete line of used cars. We also buy, exchange and lend money on cars. American Motors, Fed Inc. U.S.A. 444 Avenue Foch. Telephone 35646. 10014

WE offer cash for used cars and trucks. Apply Jenny's Motors, 171 Amiral Courbet. Telephone 73165. -10274

Wanted to Rent

FURNISHED room with use of kitchen desired by married couple. Please state terms and particulars to Box 277, NCDN. 10198

WANTED, two-roomed apartment with modern arrangements. Furniture bought at fair price. Telephone 72542 from twelve to two, or Box 279, NCDN. -583

DOCTOR wants suitable room for consultation or office, Joffre or vicinity. Address Box 308, NCDN. -636

WANTED by bachelor, for January 16, two rooms, private bath, central heating, French Concession. Apply 153 Route Frelupt. -626

TWO-roomed office required immediately. Location must be in business centre. Address Box 243, NCDN. -512

ONE-ROOMED furnished apartment, kitchen and bath attached. French Concession preferred. Available February 1 or later. Address Box 202, NCDN. -487

SINGLE gentleman, wants furnished, small, steam heated room, vicinity Rue Consulat, near Bund. Ask the Secretary, Telephone 81725. -536

JAPANESE businessman, American college graduate, desires two-three roomed apartment, furnished or unfurnished, or rooms in modern apartment house. Bubbling Well or quiet section Settlement. Address Box 5540, NCDN. -540

WANTED to rent three/four-roomed apartment, will buy furniture. Location: centre of Concession. Address Box 225, NCDN. -464

WANTED by foreign couple two/three roomed apartment/flat, modern conveniences. French Concession or International Settlement. Address Box 201, NCDN. -408

WANTED by responsible Britisher one/two-roomed unfurnished apartment. March. Box 159, NCDN. -303

WANTED three- or four-roomed well furnished flat with kitchen and all modern conveniences, vicinity Joffre, Dubail or Bubbling. Particulars Box 111, NCDN. -232

WANTED house or apartment by responsible foreigner. Willing take furniture over and pay key-money. Telephone 74850 -12

Wanted to Purchase

SECONDHAND letter size-filing cabinet, desk and sundry office equipment. Details to Box 281, NCDN. -592

WANTED telegraph code, Acme; A. B. C. 6th; Bentley's second phrase; Peterson 3rd edition. Room 116, 429 Kiukiang Road. -467

NEW or secondhand, last edition Comacrib Press Oriental Directory. Room 1402, Development Building. -568

WANTED to buy: second-hand carpets, clothing, suits, dresses, shoes, 1129 Bubbling Well, House 51, Mr. Corts. -10060

Mortgages and Loans

FOREIGN going concern wants loan $10,000 for two years. Profit $1,200 annually, guarantee offered. Box 282, NCDN. -593

Offices, Shops, Godowns

WANTED, doctor's office or apartment, Bubbling Well Road preferred. Please give full particulars to Box 256, NCDN. -612

OFFICE space available. Can be used as room. Central district. Apply 681 Szechuen Road. -577

GODOWN space. Required immediately space from 2000 to 4000 square feet, vicinity French Concession or Settlement. Address Box 311, NCDN. 10219

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Advertisements under this heading are carefully scrutinized before acceptance, and though no guarantee can be given readers may be reasonably assured of their bona fides.

LADY gives massage from 9 to 9. 1225 Bubbling Well Road, Room 231. Telephone 34200. -400

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PROFESSOR Waldemar, famous teacher in ballroom, ballet, tap dances, gives private-class lessons, 1272 Avenue Joffre. -24

Chinese Servants

EXCELLENT cook-boy, clean, honest, good cooking, available immediately, good references. Please telephone 72856 -393

WANTED by American household, reliable houseboy having previous experience with American family. Reply giving references Box 298, NCDN 10210

EXCELLENT American-trained cook or cook-boy, wife as baby-amah. Both honest, with good references. Box 300, NCDN. -626

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AMAH, highly recommended, clean, honest, willing, good with children. Excellent English. Address Box 263, NCDN. -522

WANTED, A first-class cook-boy. Must be clean, honest and a good pastry cook. References required. No agencies. Reply Box 249, NCDN. -516

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TO LET, small room with full board, only for single person. Arcola heating, telephone. Apply 125 Avenue du Roi Albert, House 21. -584

EXCELLENT large room, steam heating, bath, good board. Also smaller room. 1402 Avenue Joffre. -477

Rooms Without Board

WELL-furnished big room for bachelor only. Petain district. Lift in car available. Telephone 77714, 10 a.m. 6 p.m. -541

FURNISHED Southern room in private residence to responsible party. Verandah, garden. 54 Route Grouchy. -606

TO LET furnished, big room, suitable for single person. Central heated, hot water. 836 C, Cathay Flats, Avenue Joffre. -607

FURNISHED room in modern apartment, French Concession, with French family. For further details telephone 77955 between 12 and 4. -574

LARGE rooms to let. South and North Szechuen Roads. Modern conveniences. Apply 681 Szechuen Road. -577

LARGE furnished room with balcony, overlooking garden in private family. Breakfast optional. Apply 470 Seymour Road, House 6. -561

TO LET, one large furnished room with modern conveniences. 220/6 Route Vallon. -582

LARGE room, available February 1, vicinity Avenue/Ferry Roads, steam-heated, modern conveniences. Telephone 37069 mornings. -579

LARGE, elegantly furnished, south room, all conveniences, in private family, single person only. 20 Route Pere Robert, Flat 301. Telephone 72147. -610

IN the centre of French Concession to let: one two-roomed furnished flat with kitchen and bath attached. Rent $350 including heating. One south-facing, big, furnished room. Rent $160, including heating. 24 Pere Robert. -621

LARGE, furnished room. Apartment Avenue Joffre. Facing south. Steam heated. Hot water. Modern conveniences. Telephone 78152. -631

WELL-Furnished steam-heated room in private family, for single person, $85 per month. Telephone 73169. 9.30—12.30 a.m. -949

MODERN furnished room to let. All conveniences. 600 Avenue Haig, House 15. -484

NICE room, steamheated, for gentlemen, without board, near Avenue Foch. 30 Seymour Road, House 6. -476

TO LET one or two rooms, well-furnished, in the modernest apartment with all conveniences, Bubbling Well, especially suitable for doctor's offices. Apply Box 1, NCDN. -98

TO LET, well-furnished room facing south, all conveniences, in private family to bachelor only. Telephone 85229. -489

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